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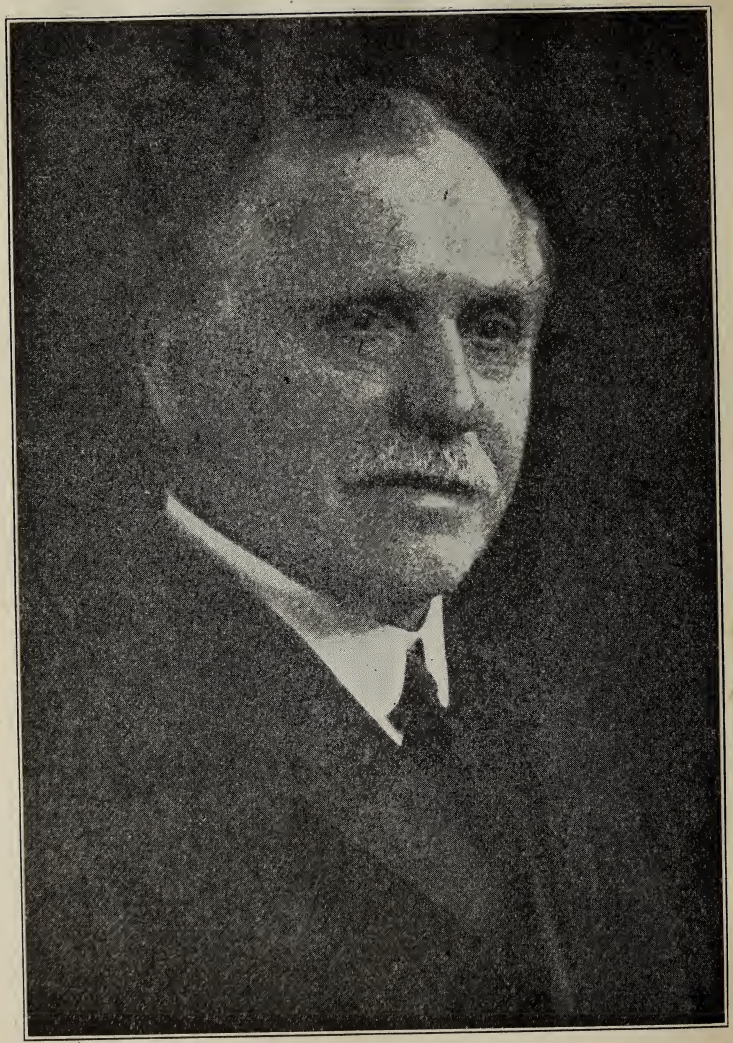

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"They may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

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WILLIAM P. SMITH	1816
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ABRAHAM PONSLER	1824
JOHN GEORGE PFRIMMER	1825
JOHN HARVEY	1828
THOMAS HAINES	1828
JACOB MAHAN	1829
ARCHIBOLD E. MICHAEL	1829
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MICHAEL COOVER	1839
GEORGE HOFFMAN	1839
ROBERT DUNCAN	1839
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DANIEL ANTRIM	1873
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WILLIAM NICHOLAS	1878
JACOB KING	1878
JAMES FLEENOR	1879
ADAM HETZLER	1880
JOHN SLIFE	1880
WILLIAM K. McCABE	1881
FRANK N. FOWLER	1881
Ex-Bishop HENRY KUMLER, Jr.	1882
DANIEL C. KUMLER	1882
JOHN KEMP, Jr.	1883
W. H. LANTHURN	1884
HENRY HOFFMAN	1884
LUKE E. PIERCE	1884
G. L. GILBERT	1885
W. W. COONS	1886
JAMES LONG	1888
CHRISTOPHER FLINCHBAUGH	1888
HENRY TOBEY	1889
CHESTER BRIGGS	1890
HENRY SURFACE	1891
JOSEPH GOMER	1892
LAWRENCE BURNS	1894
W. G. WELLS	1896
L. A. McGREW (Massacred in Africa, May 9)	1898
JOHN WALTER	1899
W. R. HOULTON	1899
J. W. GLENN	1902
J. B. DOUGHMAN	1902
SARAH A. DICKEY	1904
GRANVILLE M. HEMPHILL	1905
CYRUS J. BURKERT	1905
COLUMBUS HALL	1906
WILLIAM McKEE	1907
J. D. HOLTZINGER	1907
J. W. BOVEY	1908
D. MYERS	1908
S. M. HIPPARD	1909
I. L. KEPHART	1909
C. H. SNYDER	1910
F. G. GRIGSBY	1911
HENRY GARST	1911
D. K. FLICKINGER	1911
G. W. ARNOLD	1912
W. K. ALBRIGHT	1914

"Servant of God, well done!
Thy glorious warfare's past;
The battle's fought, the race is run,
And thou art crowned at last."

"Oh, how sweet it will be, in that beautiful land,
So free from all sorrow and pain,
With songs on our lips and with harps in our hands,
To meet one another again."

STANDING RESOLUTIONS

The Conference journal has been carefully examined, and all standing resolutions of special use are incorporated.

Conference of 1875, Miltonville session:

Resolved, That the missionary money appropriated to the different missions in this Conference be paid quarterly, and that no part of it be paid except by order of the Conference Superintendent, and if in the judgment of the quarterly conference the missionary fails to faithfully perform his work it shall be in the power of the next Conference, upon the recommendation of the Conference Superintendent, to withhold any part of the amount appropriated by this Conference.

Conference of 1880, Germantown session:

Resolved, That it is the sense of the Conference that hereafter the word "dropped" be applied only to persons who sustain the relation of seekers to the Church and cease to be such in fact, or such as are mentioned in Chapter V., Section 1, and Clause 3, of Discipline.

Conference of 1882, Dayton First Church session:

Resolved, That the examination in course of reading shall hereafter be conducted in writing.

Conference of 1890, Cherry Grove session:

CONFERENCE CLAIMANTS.

Resolved, That the amount appropriated to Conference claimants be *hereafter paid quarterly* by the treasurer.

MISSION CHARGES.

Resolved, That the amount received as missionary appropriation by mission charges be added to the amount of salary received on the charge, and be so reported to the Conference chart.

Conference of 1908, Union City session:

Resolved, That we continue the minimum salary plan in this Conference; and that appropriations to missions be made at least on the basis of the minimum salary where full time is rendered. All contingencies which may arise shall be referred to the Conference Board of Trustees by the Conference Superintendent for adjustment.

Conference of 1915, Miamisburg session:

Resolved, That we renew the action taken by the Conference one year ago with reference to superannuated preachers, to wit: that all superannuated itinerants who have served in this Conference continuously in the active itinerancy for forty consecutive years, shall receive three hundred dollars per year, and those having served thirty consecutive years shall receive two hundred and fifty dollars, and those having served twenty years shall receive two hundred dollars; and that this action shall be permanent unless rescinded or changed by special action of the Conference.

MUTUAL BENEFICIAL SOCIETY
OF
Miami Annual Conference of the United Brethren in Christ
CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

The name of this society shall be the Mutual Beneficial Society of Miami Annual Conference of the United Brethren in Christ.

ARTICLE II.—OBJECT.

The object of this society shall be mutual benefit in case of death, as hereinafter stated.

ARTICLE III.—MEMBERSHIP.

1. Any minister of Miami Annual Conference may become a member of this society by a vote of the society, and paying to the Secretary one dollar entrance fee, which binds him to pay two dollars for the benefit of the heirs of each and every member on his death; the said two dollars to be paid to the Secretary of this society within thirty days after the date of the notice of the death of the member.

2. Membership in this society must be taken within one year after entering into full, active service in the Conference in the case of those coming from their quarterly conferences and those coming from their annual conferences or churches, who have not reached the age of thirty-five years. If membership is not taken within that time, the applicant must pay to the secretary, in addition to the initiation fee, a sum equal to the amount of the annual and mortality dues having accrued to each member of this society since the applicant's first year of service in the Conference. In the case of those coming from other conferences or churches and who are over thirty-five years of age, the applicant must pay to the secretary, in addition to the initiation fee, a sum equal to the amount of the annual and mortality dues having accrued to each member since applicant became thirty-five years of age.

3. The wife of any minister of Miami Conference may become a member of this society, with the same privileges and advantages, upon the same conditions as ministers, provided such wife is in good bodily health at the time of the application.

4. Each member shall pay one dollar annually to the Secretary of the society, said sum to be paid at the annual session of the Conference. The Secretary shall give notice to all members of the time when payment shall become due.

5. Not more than two mortality assessments shall be made per conference year while there is $1,000 or more in the treasury.

ARTICLE IV.—BENEFITS.

The amount of two hundred dollars shall be paid on the death of any member of the society, to his wife, or her husband, or if none, then to his or her children, and if neither, then to his or her estate.

ARTICLE V.—OFFICERS.

The officers of this society shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, all of whom shall be members of the Annual Conference.

1. The President shall preside at all the meetings of the society, and shall sign all orders for money to be paid out by the Treasurer and in case of death, resignation, or absence of the President, the Vice President shall perform his duties.

2. The Secretary shall keep a correct account of all the transactions and take charge of all the papers and books of the society. Within ten days after the death of a member he shall notify all surviving members of the date of the death of such member, and also the date on which the obligation of such must be met, and shall countersign all orders for money to be paid out by the Treasurer. He shall also see that each member is provided with a proper certificate of membership, and the amount of benefit due his heirs at his death, and sign said certificate himself, and secure the signature of the President to the same.

3. The Treasurer shall keep safely all money belonging to the society, and shall disburse the same only on the order of the President, countersigned by the Secretary. Within thirty days after the death of a member, on the order of the President, countersigned by the Secretary, he shall pay to the heirs of such deceased member the amount of the benefit, two hundred dollars, herein prescribed. He shall give receipts for all moneys received, and take vouchers for all disbursed. He shall make a full report of all moneys received and disbursed to the regular meeting of the society at each Annual Conference session.

ARTICLE VI.

Transfer to another Conference of the United Brethren in Christ shall not forfeit membership; but any member who has been expelled, or has withdrawn from the Conference without its consent, forfeits his membership. Any person failing to pay the two dollars agreed upon within thirty days after the date of the notice of the death of a member, or his annual dues, as herein provided for, shall from that time cease to be a member, and shall have no claims upon any benefits of the Society, and shall not be reinstated until all omitted obligations are paid in full.

ARTICLE VII.—MEETINGS.

A regular meeting of the society shall be held annually during the session of the Conference at the call of the President. At such annual meeting the officers of the society shall be elected, by ballot, and such other business transacted as may be in accordance with the object sought by the society. A majority of the members, other than honorary, shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE VIII.—ADDITIONAL NOTICE.

All members who may not have paid within thirty days from the date of notice of the death of a member the agreed upon two dollars, shall be again notified by the Secretary of the time when the thirty days in which payment was to have been made expired, and shall be allowed ten days additional in which to pay the same; any member failing in this, his membership is forfeited.

ARTICLE IX.—AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be changed or amended by a vote of two-thirds of all the ministerial members present at a regular meeting of the society.

ROLL OF MEMBERS

Albright, Nancy 1898
Arnold, O. O. 1909
Arnold, Mrs. O. O. 1911
Arthur, E. J. 1897
Arthur, Alice Maud 1902
Barnhardt, A. C. 1910
Barnhardt, Iva M. 1912
Bauer, G. F. 1914
Beckett, J. N. 1893
Beckett, Mrs. J. N. 1905
Bilger, O. F. 1907
Bittner, A. E. 1912
Boda, C. B. 1900
Bohn, F. H. 1887
Bohn, Louisa 1903
Bookwalter, L. 1890
Bowers, E. W. 1888
Bowers, Dora B. 1898
Brubaker, U. B. 1915
Brubaker, Martha 1915
Burkert, Mrs. C. J. 1898
Bushong, T. F. 1887
Bushong, Laura M. 1898
Caylor, E. H. 1897
Clippinger, A. R. 1911
Comfort, M. I. 1906
Comfort, Geo. J. 1907
Cook, E. C. 1913
Cool, Mrs. E. C. 1914
Dunkelberger, A. 1887
Dunkelberger, Laura 1908
Dutton, J. H. 1912
Farris, B. F. 1908
Farris, Hattie L. 1908
Flory, J. W. 1887
Fout, H. H. 1892
Fout, Adah C. 1901
Fox, R. M. 1911
Grigsby, Mrs. F. G. 1900
Hamilton, G. W. 1888
Hamilton, Clara G. 1912
Hamilton, Ella 1913
Hemphill, Ruth E. 1896
Hohn, L. A. 1915
Hoyle, Maude E. 1914
Huber, J. G. 1895
Huddle, S. 1887
Huddle, Elizabeth 1902
Judy, Clayton 1910
Judy, Mrs. Clayton 1910
Keister, S. W. 1887
Kilbourne, J. W. 1890
Kilbourne, Mary A. 1898
Kissell, A. 1906
Kissell, Mrs. A. 1906
Klinefelter, W. H. 1895
Kurtz, C. W. 1894
Landis, J. P. 1887
Loomis, C. W. 1915
Loomis, Leila E. 1915
Mathews, G. M. 1888
Mayne, J. H. 1887
Mayne, Virgil B. 1915
Mayne, Lydia B. 1915
McKee, Mrs. William 1901
McNelly, Calvin 1906
Miller, C. W. 1887
Meyer, C. F. 1907
Niswonger, W. C. 1887
Niswonger, Clara A. 1898
Penick, R. E. 1914
Plack, C. E. 1912
Plack, Mrs. C. E. 1915
Pantle, Jacob 1892
Pantle, Ella 1902
Pruner, W. J. 1895
Rasey, S. E. 1912
Rasey, Mrs. S. E. 1913

Replogle, J. M. 1893
Saul, E. E. 1887
Saul, Alma J. 1898
Sechrist, H. A. 1887
Sechrist, Rosetta 1898
Shuey, W. J. 1887
Smelker, W. H. 1910
Smelker, Muriel D. 1910
Swain, J. L. 1887
Stewart, J. P. 1902
Stewart, Matilda 1903
Stephens, C. W. 1902
Stephens, Minnie A. 1904
Underwood, W. I. 1910
VanSickle, W. M. 1891
VanSickle, Clara B. 1902
Wahl, G. A. 1905
Wahl, Lizzie A. 1908
Warner, Ira D. 1915
Weimer, E. S. 1903
Wellbaum, O. D. 1911
Wellbaum, Mrs. O. D. 1911

Honorary Member—

Miller, L. O. 1911

Chester Briggs, died July 7, 1890; Lawrence Burns, died April 11, 1884; W. G. Wells, died July 24, 1896; L. A. McGrew, died May 9, 1898; Margery F. VanSickle, died September 13, 1898; Nancy Holtzinger, died May 4, 1899; John Walter, died May 14, 1899; W. R. Houlton, died June 15, 1899; G. M. Hemphill, died January 27, 1905; C. J. Burkert, died November 12, 1905; J. D. Holtzinger, died June 4, 1907; Wm. McKee, died October 6, 1907; Elizabeth Hamilton, died October 22, 1907; S. M. Hippard, died May 22, 1909; C. H. Snyder, died January 27, 1910; F. G. Grigsby, died February 27, 1911; D. K. Flickinger, D.D., died August 29, 1911; G. W. Arnold, died February 27, 1912; Hannah Swain, died February 20, 1913; W. K. Albright, died March 28, 1914.

Amount of money in treasury $1,787.95

STANDING OF THE CHARGES

As reported by the Pastors

Salary full 15 points. Salary increase, 15 points. Budget full 20 points. Member increase 30 points. Literature increase, 20 points. Five points forfeited if pastor does not report on time.

CHARGE	Salary			Budget		Members		Literature		Total Points
	Full	Increase	Deficit	Full	Deficit	Increase	Decrease	Increase	Decrease	
Aley Chapel	F				14	I				50
Arcanum	F			F		I		I		85
Beardshear	F				43	I		I		65
Beavertown	F				134	I				50
Bowlusville	F	50		F		I			D	80
Brookville	F	75		F		I		I		100
Cincinnati—Cherry Grove	F				179		D	I		35
Colerain	F	100		F		I		I		100
Clifton	F	60		F			D			55
College Hill	F			F		I			D	60
Cheviot	F			F		I		I		85
Willey Memorial	F			F		I			D	60
Dayton—Belmont	F				45		D		D	10
Carrmonte	F				33	I			D	45
Cowden Memorial	F			F		I		I		80
East Dayton	F				167		D		D	15
Euclid Avenue	F	120		F		I				90
Fairview	F				50	I				50
First Church	F			F			D		D	30
Ft. McKinley	F			F		I				70
Hartford Street	F				85	I				55
High Street	F				175	I			D	40
Home Avenue	F				270		D		D	15
Miami Chapel	F	50			70	I		I		75
Oak Street	F	100		F		I			D	75
Olivet	F	200		F		I		I		100
Troy Street	F	20			64		D		D	30
Eaton	F				227	I		I		55
Englewood	F	50		F		I				90
Eldorado	F				130	I				55
Germantown	F				286	I				50
Greenville	F				121	I		I		65
Hamilton	F			F		I		I		85
Harrison			D		81	I			D	30
Ithaca	F	100			55	I		I		80
Kingsville	F			F		I				75
Lewisburg	F	200		F		I		I		100
Liberty	F	25			59		D		D	30
Lockington	F				106		D	I		35
Miamisburg	F	150		F		I		I		100
Middletown	F			F			D	I		55
Millville			D		30		D	I		20
Mt. Healthy	F			F			D		D	50
New Haven	F				233					35
New Hope			D		61		D			10
New Madison	F	100		F		I		I		95
Newport	F			F		I				70
North Bend	F				49		D		D	10
Otterbein	F			F			D	I		55
Otterbein Home				F		I		I		80

CHARGE	Salary			Budget		Members		Literature		Total Points
	Full	Increase	Deficit	Full	Deficit	Increase	Decrease	Increase	Decrease	
Piqua	F			F		I		I		85
Pyrmont	F			F		I				75
Pottsdam	F	178		F		I		I		100
Pleasant Hill	F				17		D			25
Rossburg			D	F			D			30
Rosewood			D		89		D		D	
Salem	F				34	I			D	50
Savona	F				120	I				50
Springfield–Columbus Ave	F			F		I		I		85
Lagonda Ave	F				94		D			20
Springboro	F			F			D	I		55
Sulphur Grove	F	400			9	I		I		75
Union City	F			F		I			D	65
Union Circuit	F	100			23	I				65
Utica and Oregonia	F			F			D		D	35
Vandalia			D		146		D		D	
Waterhouse	F	90			20	I		I		75
Wagner	F			F		I				75
West Elkton	F				45	I		I		60
Yorkshire	F			F						45
Totals	63	2168	6	35	3364	46	22	28	20	

	FIELD OF LABOR	NAME OF PREACHER	No. Churches on Charge	New Churches Organized	No. Churches Disorganized	Beginning of Year	Received by Conf. of Faith	Received by Letter or Transfer	Rec'd by Change in Boundary	Total in Church during Year
1	Arcanum	G. T. Powell	1	....	....	382	15	16	....	413
2	Beardshear	O. F. Bilger	1	....	....	56	48	....	....	104
3	Beavertown	J. A. Albright	1	....	....	151	2	2	....	155
4	Bowlusville	Ernest Haerr	1	....	....	42	18	7	....	67
5	Brookville	E. E. Saul	2	....	....	456	27	14	....	497
6	Cincinnati—Willey Mem	W. H. Klinefelter	1	....	....	110	8	1	....	119
7	Cherry Grove	E. C. Cool	3	....	1	309	19	4	1	333
8	Colerain	J. H. Mayne	4	....	....	164	13	15	10	202
9	Clifton	Calvin McNelly	1	....	....	157	12	7	....	176
10	College Hill	L. M. Martin	1	....	....	81	5	2	....	88
11	Cheviot	E. S. Comrey	1	....	....	48	7	4	....	59
12	Dayton—Belmont	Geo. R. Strayer	1	....	....	202	8	2	....	212
13	Carrmonte	O. F. Bilger	1	....	....	52	22	....	....	74
14	Cowden Mem	J. H. Dutton	1	....	....	396	62	37	....	495
15	East Dayton	S. E. Rasey	1	....	....	366	28	11	....	405
16	First Church	J. G. Huber	1	....	....	720	69	41	....	830
17	Fairview	G. F. Bauer	1	....	....	153	9	5	....	167
18	Ft. McKinley	C. E. Hetzler	1	....	....	66	37	6	....	109
19	High Street	U. B. Brubaker	1	....	....	256	23	5	....	284
20	Hartford St	W. C. Niswonger	1	....	....	424	43	3	....	470
21	Home Avenue	J. W. Flory	1	....	....	350	21	7	....	378
22	Miami Chapel	O. O. Arnold	1	....	....	303	17	14	....	334
23	Oak St	Ira Warner	1	....	....	602	103	36	....	741
24	Olivet	Ray E. Penick	1	....	....	183	18	11	....	212
25	Euclid Avenue	A. R. Clippinger	1	....	....	707	58	47	....	812
26	Troy St	D. K. Freymeyer	1	....	....	204	....	2	....	206
27	Kingsville	H. R. Applegate	1	....	....	35	36	2	....	73
28	Eaton	D. R. Wilson	1	....	....	295	18	3	....	316
29	Englewood	W. H. Smelker	1	....	....	76	30	2	....	108
30	Eldorado	E. S. Weimer	3	....	....	361	14	13	....	388
31	Germantown	J. E. Yingling	1	....	....	453	25	8	....	486
32	Greenville	W. M. VanSickle	1	....	....	321	16	5	....	342
33	Hamilton	J. W. Kilbourne	1	....	....	153	11	8	....	172
34	Harrison	Walter Van Saun	4	....	....	195	24	1	....	220
35	Ithaca	M. I. Comfort	3	....	....	494	42	7	....	543
36	Lewisburg	W. T. Frank	1	....	....	303	71	12	....	386
37	Liberty	J. A. Pantle	4	....	....	548	16	10	....	574
38	Lockington	R. E. Schlotterbeck	5	....	....	365	....	1	....	366
39	Miamisburg	W. I. Underwood	1	....	....	242	37	15	....	294
40	Middletown	J. M. Replogle	1	....	....	375	14	12	....	401
41	Millville	N. D. Bevis	1	....	....	96	....	....	....	96
42	Mt. Healthy	R. M. Fox	1	....	....	135	2	4	....	141
43	New Hope	E. P. Huddle	1	....	....	118	3	7	....	128
44	North Bend	W. C. Andreas	2	....	....	287	7	....	....	294
45	New Haven	O. D. Wellbaum	1	....	....	281	6	....	....	287
46	Newport	G. A. Wahl	1	....	....	146	11	4	....	161
47	New Madison	F. H. Bohn	2	....	....	300	49	....	....	349
48	Otterbein	A. Barnhardt	1	....	....	206	....	2	....	208
49	Otterbein Home	J. R. King	1	....	....	32	7	11	....	50
50	Piqua	C. B. Boda	1	....	....	388	44	3	....	435
51	Pyrmont	J. L. Armstrong	1	....	....	88	8	....	....	96
52	Rossburg	C. E. Plack	5	....	....	248	20	6	....	274
53	Rosewood	B. F. Farris	3	....	....	334	....	....	....	334
54	Salem	I. Zimmerman	3	....	....	436	22	7	....	465
55	Savona	M. O. Stein	3	....	2	360	28	1	....	389
56	Springfield–Columbus Av	Maude Hoyle	1	....	....	80	6	4	....	90
57	Lagonda Ave	J. J. Mullaney	1	....	....	445	53	5	....	503
58	Sulphur Grove	W. G. Schaefer	1	....	....	69	38	4	....	111
59	Springboro	C. W. Loomis	1	....	....	55	3	6	....	64
60	Union City	C. W. Stephens	1	....	....	418	33	1	....	452
61	Union Circuit	Frank Johannes	3	....	....	250	10	....	....	260
62	Vandalia	A. Bittner	2	....	....	313	12	3	....	328
63	Waterhouse	Virgil Mayne	3	....	....	208	29	6	....	243
64	West Elkton	C. W. Snyder	4	....	....	377	47	26	....	450
65	Wagner	M. W. Mumma	1	....	....	59	31	3	....	93
66	Yorkshire	J. L. Armstrong	1	....	....	19	....	....	....	19
67	Potsdam	W. H. Smelker	1	....	....	123	22	....	....	145
68	Pleasant Hill	E. P. Huddle	1	....	....	132	4	....	....	136
69	Utica and Oregonia	C. W. Loomis	2	....	....	85	5	....	....	90
70	Aley Chapel	....	1	....	....	47	11	....	....	58
		Totals	111	....	3	17291	1557	501	11	19360
		Last Year	114	....	....	16841	1496	550	85	18972
		Increase	....	....	....	450	61	....	....	388
		Decrease	3	....	3	....	....	49	74	....

	Lost by Death	Lost by Letter and Transfer	Lost by Change in Boundary	All Other Losses	Total Loss	Present Membership	Increase	Decrease	Under Watch-Care of Church	No. Y. P. S. C. E. Societies	Members	Junior and Int. C. E. Societies	Members	No. Otterbein Brotherhoods	Members	No. W. M. A. Societies	Members	No. Otterbein Guilds
1	6	15	....	5	26	387	5	....	11	1	55	1	60	....	....	1	39	....
2	2	2	....	....	4	100	44	....	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
3	2	....	....	....	2	153	2	....	....	1	32	1	....	1	30	1	22	....
4	....	3	....	....	3	64	22	....	....	1	36	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
5	8	15	....	5	28	469	13	....	....	2	70	2	30	....	....	2	80	1
6	....	....	....	2	2	117	7	....	....	1	20	....	....	1	21	....	....	....
7	2	7	....	62	71	262	....	47	....	2	50	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
8	3	7	....	....	10	192	28	....	....	3	80	....	....	....	....	1	12	1
9	1	15	....	9	25	151	....	6	....	1	20	....	....	....	....	1	28	1
10	....	....	....	1	1	87	6	....	....	1	30	1	22	1	33	....	....	....
11	1	2	....	4	7	52	4	....	....	1	17	1	28	....	....	....	....	....
12	3	8	....	4	15	197	....	5	....	1	70	1	50	....	....	1	53	....
13	....	3	....	....	3	71	19	....	....	1	15	1	26	....	....	1	6	....
14	2	9	....	5	16	479	83	....	....	1	55	1	31	1	75	1	50	1
15	1	9	....	43	53	352	....	14	....	1	78	1	60	....	....	1	31	....
16	9	24	....	100	133	697	....	23	....	1	35	....	....	1	65	1	130	....
17	1	5	....	....	6	161	8	....	....	1	25	1	....	1	35	1	19	....
18	....	....	....	8	8	101	35	....	....	1	15	1	37	....	....	....	....	....
19	5	15	....	6	26	258	2	....	....	1	109	1	25	....	....	1	60	1
20	3	18	....	4	25	445	21	....	....	1	45	1	41	1	90	1	54	1
21	3	11	....	41	55	323	....	27	....	1	62	1	43	....	....	1	27	....
22	2	5	....	3	10	324	21	....	....	1	35	1	60	1	40	1	53	....
23	6	16	....	18	40	701	99	....	....	1	175	1	88	....	....	1	120	1
24	....	12	....	16	28	184	1	....	13	1	61	1	46	1	75	....	....	1
25	7	38	....	30	75	737	30	....	....	1	54	1	50	....	....	1	135	1
26	....	5	....	54	59	147	....	57	....	1	35	1	29	....	....	....	....	....
27	3	5	....	2	10	63	28	....	....	....	....	1	32	....	....	....	....	....
28	3	5	....	7	15	301	6	....	....	1	64	1	24	....	....	1	20	1
29	2	8	....	3	13	95	19	....	....	1	40	....	....	....	....	1	11	....
30	3	5	....	14	22	366	5	....	....	3	127	....	....	....	....	2	34	....
31	11	10	....	10	31	455	2	....	....	1	46	1	26	1	46	1	65	....
32	4	3	....	2	9	333	12	....	....	1	30	2	80	1	40	1	31	....
33	1	6	....	4	11	161	8	....	6	1	20	1	50	1	35	....	....	....
34	4	4	....	3	11	209	14	....	....	1	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
35	7	21	....	9	37	506	12	....	....	1	37	1	36	....	....	3	40	....
36	4	7	....	6	17	369	66	....	....	1	51	2	57	....	....	1	28	....
37	1	6	....	30	37	537	....	11	....	2	130	....	....	....	....	2	33	....
38	....	3	....	80	83	283	....	82	....	1	64	1	26	....	....	1	12	....
39	1	3	....	6	10	284	42	....	2	1	40	1	20	1	31	1	33	....
40	2	7	....	25	34	367	....	8	....	1	125	1	35	....	....	1	61	1
41	1	2	....	2	5	91	....	5	....	1	20	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
42	6	3	....	2	11	130	....	5	....	1	17	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
43	1	4	....	14	19	109	....	9	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
44	2	1	....	33	36	258	....	29	....	1	28	1	54	....	....	1	18	....
45	3	3	....	....	6	281	....	....	....	1	84	....	....	....	....	1	80	....
46	1	3	....	1	5	156	10	....	1	1	43	....	....	....	....	1	17	....
47	2	17	....	....	19	330	30	....	....	1	43	....	....	....	....	2	109	....
48	4	5	....	4	13	195	....	11	1	1	144	....	....	....	....	1	21	....
49	1	....	....	1	2	48	16	....	....	1	20	1	33	....	....	1	21	....
50	3	7	....	28	38	397	9	....	....	1	50	1	20	1	25	1	30	....
51	....	2	....	....	2	94	6	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
52	4	5	....	19	28	246	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
53	....	....	....	24	24	310	....	24	....	1	....	....	....	....	....	1	24	....
54	6	3	....	11	20	445	9	....	....	2	88	1	21	....	....	3	67	....
55	2	8	....	....	10	379	19	....	....	2	50	....	....	....	....	1	8	....
56	2	1	....	....	3	87	7	....	....	1	50	....	....	1	44	....	....	....
57	5	10	....	142	157	346	....	99	....	1	172	1	30	1	64	1	45	1
58	1	2	....	....	3	108	39	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	36	....	....	....
59	3	3	....	13	19	45	....	10	....	1	17	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
60	1	6	....	23	30	422	4	....	....	1	30	2	33	....	....	1	13	....
61	....	3	....	....	3	257	7	....	....	2	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
62	6	7	....	3	16	312	....	1	....	1	41	....	....	....	....	1	19	....
63	3	9	....	20	32	211	3	....	....	2	65	1	12	....	....	....	....	....
64	....	19	....	21	40	410	33	....	....	4	133	1	12	....	....	1	22	....
65	....	5	....	....	5	88	29	....	....	1	36	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
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67	1	8	....	....	9	136	13	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	54	....
68	2	5	....	2	9	127	....	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
69	....	....	....	6	6	84	....	1	....	1	16	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
70	....	....	....	....	....	58	11	....	....	1	31	....	....	....	....	1	19	....
	173	478	....	990	1641	17719	909	481	34	76	3311	41	1327	17	785	52	1854	12
	189	540	118	780	1627	17345	1039	535	8	79	3478	36	1277	17	647	43	1607	10
	....	....	....	210	14	374	....	....	26	....	....	5	50	....	138	9	247	2
	16	62	118	....	....	....	130	54	....	3	167	....	....	....	....	....	....	....

	FIELD OF LABOR	Members in Otterbein Guilds	No. Sunday Schools	Teachers and Officers	Scholars in Main School	Scholars in Home Dept.	No. on Cradle Roll	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	No. Organized Adult Classes	Organ'd Classes (ages 12-20)	Scholars in Or'd Adult Classes	Sunday School Libraries
1	Arcanum	....	1	38	357	20	45	460	239	7	3	200	....
2	Beardshear	....	1	12	142	20	....	174	94	....	....	....	....
3	Beavertown	....	1	18	102	11	10	141	70	1	....	15	....
4	Bowlusville	....	1	9	66	....	....	75	60	....	....	....	....
5	Brookville	24	2	46	455	15	23	539	272	5	2	223	....
6	Cincinnati—Willey Mem	....	1	37	172	40	33	282	138	....	1	....	....
7	Cherry Grove	....	2	23	206	20	11	260	118	5	5	101	....
8	Colerain	10	4	35	265	11	8	319	199	6	....	....	2
9	Clifton	12	1	25	255	10	25	285	121	....	....	....	1
10	College Hill	....	1	8	122	....	17	147	75	3	1	35	....
11	Cheviot	....	1	17	96	67	30	210	95	1	2	17	....
12	Dayton—Belmont	....	1	21	305	....	50	376	154	3	3	80	....
13	Carrmonte	....	1	16	114	....	14	144	....	....	....	....	....
14	Cowden Memorial	18	1	47	430	42	60	579	285	18	8	350	1
15	East Dayton	....	1	44	477	17	110	648	298	4	7	94	1
16	First Church	....	1	54	725	35	60	874	459	10	6	225	1
17	Fairview	....	1	25	223	12	25	285	140	3	2	....	....
18	Ft. McKinley	....	1	16	134	....	18	168	98	1	1	14	....
19	High St	39	1	40	264	40	52	396	186	7	5	104	....
20	Hartford St	12	1	40	560	....	100	700	371	5	1	250	1
21	Home Avenue	....	1	45	140	31	58	274	194	4	....	84	1
22	Miami Chapel	....	1	25	311	25	48	409	190	5	4	106	....
23	Oak St	40	1	60	771	30	83	944	470	3	....	259	1
24	Olivet	12	1	30	262	6	26	324	135	1	....	30	....
25	Euclid Avenue	40	1	47	575	25	105	752	384	6	2	....	....
26	Troy St	....	1	25	233	12	20	290	....	3	....	95	....
27	Kingsville	....	1	15	89	....	20	124	60	....	....	....	....
28	Eaton	15	1	23	195	25	47	290	110	5	1	65	....
29	Englewood	....	1	19	122	....	13	154	82	....	....	....	....
30	Eldorado	....	3	49	338	17	63	467	80	8	2	107	....
31	Germantown	....	1	31	394	....	46	471	196	2	1	69	....
32	Greenville	....	1	21	290	14	25	350	150	5	2	100	1
33	Hamilton	....	1	37	170	14	25	246	125	2	....	30	....
34	Harrison	....	3	22	110	....	28	160	105	5	....	67	....
35	Ithaca	....	3	55	555	10	50	670	340	6	....	171	....
36	Lewisburg	....	1	20	350	....	20	390	210	5	2	190	1
37	Liberty	....	4	86	620	32	42	780	....	14	....	....	1
38	Lockington	....	4	48	300	3	12	363	168	6	....	....	1
39	Miamisburg	....	1	28	311	10	11	360	170	4	....	....	....
40	Middletown	15	1	35	383	25	42	485	280	4	1	175	....
41	Millville	....	1	15	65	....	9	89	40	2	....	....	....
42	Mt. Healthy	....	1	18	128	....	14	160	65	....	....	....	1
43	New Hope	....	1	13	93	....	6	112	....	1	....	40	....
44	North Bend	....	2	32	159	37	39	267	150	5	3	58	1
45	New Haven	....	1	30	252	40	19	341	171	3	4	102	1
46	Newport	....	1	28	228	64	50	370	138	3	4	66	....
47	New Madison	....	2	37	275	94	35	441	187	70	15	....	....
48	Otterbein	....	1	18	193	12	14	237	83	2	....	53	....
49	Otterbein Home	....	1	13	121	....	....	134	83	1	1	....	....
50	Piqua	....	1	22	284	35	56	397	165	6	3	106	....
51	Pyrmont	....	1	15	95	....	....	110	60	1	....	35	....
52	Rossburg	....	5	37	555	....	46	638	366	2	3	40	....
53	Rosewood	....	3	49	140	....	....	189	80	....	....	....	....
54	Salem	....	3	55	505	39	59	658	304	1	....	35	2
55	Savona	....	3	52	367	47	103	569	220	4	....	70	....
56	Springfield—Columbus Ave	....	1	21	126	....	16	163	77	2	2	40	....
57	Loganda Avenue	20	1	47	608	12	33	700	277	8	5	227	1
58	Sulphur Grove	....	1	14	103	....	....	117	74	....	....	....	....
59	Springboro	....	1	14	67	....	10	91	39	1	....	12	....
60	Union City	....	1	34	350	12	50	446	227	8	2	250	1
61	Union Circuit	....	3	35	335	....	....	370	227	4	....	....	3
62	Vandalia	....	2	47	352	22	40	461	187	4	....	74	1
63	Waterhouse	....	3	39	178	6	42	265	145	8	....	110	....
64	West Elkton	....	4	48	420	15	20	503	223	....	....	....	....
65	Wagner	....	1	12	83	....	....	95	50	....	....	....	1
66	Yorkshire	....	1	12	32	....	....	44	33	....	....	....	....
67	Potsdam	....	1	27	104	21	24	176	67	3	5	....	....
68	Pleasant Hill	....	1	11	90	....	10	111	61	2	1	57	....
69	Utica and Oregonia	....	2	18	75	12	18	123	54	....	....	....	....
70	Aley Chapel	....	1	10	88	18	20	136	30	....	....	....	....
	Totals	257	108	2115	18430	1125	2208	23878	10804	308	110	4631	25
	Last Year	240	111	2025	17829	1105	2218	23177	9755	220	71	4342	24
	Increase	17	....	90	601	20	....	701	1049	88	39	289	1
	Decrease	....	3	....	....	....	10	....	....	....	....	....	....

	Volumes in Libraries	Added Church from S. S.	Religious Telescope	Watchword	Friend for Boys and Girls	Otterbein Teacher	Otterbein Adult Quarterly	Otterbein Senior Quarterly	Otterbein Int. Quarterly	Otterbein Home Dept. Quarterly	Weekly Bible Lesson Leaves	Lessons for our Juniors	Bible pictures for little ones	Lesson Picture Chart	Graded Series Beginners	Graded Series Primary	Graded Series Junior	Graded Series Intermediate
1	....	15	31	160	75	20	175	25	20	75	....	....	....	....	50	40	55	.....
2	....	15	3	40	40	12	40	22	25	....	50	....	24	....	....	15	....	.....
3	....	2	6	50	15	8	50	....	12	12	10	....	....	....	15	15	....	.....
4	....	....	1	60	....	6	....	50	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
5	....	17	40	150	80	16	40	155	15	15	90	40	....	1	....	10	12	15
6	....	2	11	7	100	18	25	25	75	....	....	15	....	....	....	....	....	.....
7	....	11	25	82	60	8	....	105	47	20	45	18	8	....	20	....	....	.....
8	5	7	16	60	10	13	....	75	50	....	36	....	54	2	....	....	....	.....
9	25	8	6	....	85	12	....	35	....	10	....	60	60	1	....	....	....	.....
10	....	3	.....	1	50	10	20	....	....	....	50	40	25	1	....	....	....	.....
11	....	2	5	7	60	8	....	31	35	75	15	25	25	1	....	....	....	.....
12	....	8	17	12	100	13	....	100	80	....	20	....	....	....	50	....	....	.....
13	....	....	3	20	20	6	30	25	25	....	....	12	10	1	....	....	....	.....
14	25	45	26	125	100	7	....	100	15	40	40	....	....	....	44	....	90	20
15	110	18	14	115	90	11	55	60	40	19	....	....	....	....	40	55	81	6
16	300	55	30	250	90	7	....	250	100	40	....	....	....	....	8	4	....	.....
17	....	8	8	50	50	15	....	30	50	60	50	50	45	1	....	....	....	.....
18	....	30	8	....	50	....	....	25	10	....	25	....	....	....	25	....	....	.....
19	....	20	11	85	40	20	....	115	60	40	....	....	....	....	30	45	24	10
20	200	19	11	125	....	....	....	250	....	....	150	....	....	1	45	....	30	30
21	....	20	7	100	....	10	....	140	50	30	30	....	....	....	20	20	11	.....
22	....	11	15	....	....	15	....	75	150	....	75	50	50	1	....	....	....	.....
23	50	62	12	80	85	4	....	135	....	35	140	....	....	....	45	120	135	77
24	....	24	14	25	50	19	25	....	....	8	100	....	....	....	25	10	20	10
25	....	60	35	200	150	12	....	250	....	25	40	....	....	....	70	95	45	46
26	....	....	6	50	35	12	45	20	35	16	....	....	....	....	15	15	15	15
27	....	....	4	36	....	2	....	36	....	....	12	....	....	....	10	15	30	.....
28	....	6	28	65	35	6	35	80	....	25	25	9	....	....	10	20	13	.....
29	....	23	6	....	50	10	....	100	30	....	....	16	18	1	....	....	....	.....
30	....	14	32	80	50	18	200	....	35	17	25	55	....	3	....	....	....	.....
31	....	18	41	75	35	18	125	....	....	....	150	35	35	1	....	....	....	.....
32	100	10	38	85	65	15	100	20	75	18	10	....	....	....	30	....	....	.....
33	....	16	24	6	60	8	....	60	....	15	....	20	30	....	15	10	20	45
34	....	12	10	25	10	4	....	100	15	....	12	32	20	....	....	....	....	.....
35	....	37	51	145	85	36	....	455	....	20	....	90	....	3	....	....	....	.....
36	155	73	25	115	....	10	....	100	150	....	25	....	....	....	20	15	....	20
37	....	16	26	180	90	35	30	295	59	20	50	40	....	4	....	....	....	.....
38	100	....	30	35	....	12	65	80	21	4	....	65	50	3	....	....	....	.....
39	....	2	15	80	10	....	....	75	50	....	20	10	....	....	30	....	....	.....
40	....	11	75	150	100	25	50	235	....	25	25	65	65	1	....	....	....	.....
41	....	....	6	35	5	....	....	....	....	....	....	7	7	1	....	....	....	.....
42	100	....	13	35	35	10	....	....	....	....	60	20	20	1	....	....	....	.....
43	....	10	8	....	30	....	60	....	20	....	50	....	20	....	11	9	....	.....
44	5	....	17	80	....	16	40	30	50	40	30	12	....	....	35	30	5	.....
45	58	6	26	70	....	12	35	125	....	40	....	....	....	....	53	....	....	.....
46	....	5	14	45	45	7	....	75	....	70	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
47	....	....	23	120	95	19	200	105	94	30	50	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
48	....	....	20	50	50	1	....	100	35	....	....	16	16	1	....	....	....	.....
49	....	7	14	35	25	6	40	45	20	15	....	45	....	....	....	....	....	.....
50	....	38	20	75	65	15	....	125	40	35	50	25	....	....	25	30	15	.....
51	....	....	3	35	....	6	20	40	....	....	20	....	20	....	....	....	....	.....
52	....	18	11	25	65	12	....	295	113	....	95	....	114	3	20	....	....	.....
53	....	....	26	29	15	....	20	35	27	....	....	29	....	....	....	....	....	.....
54	155	17	45	200	150	15	....	260	....	39	30	16	....	....	27	15	24	27
55	....	....	18	115	....	6	....	270	....	47	....	40	20	3	....	....	....	.....
56	....	9	7	45	....	8	35	30	35	....	20	40	....	....	20	25	....	.....
57	20	41	13	125	....	....	....	75	50	15	50	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
58	....	30	8	43	15	10	....	80	45	....	20	10	10	....	....	....	....	.....
59	....	2	9	20	....	....	....	65	....	....	....	15	10	1	....	....	....	.....
60	222	12	27	100	40	8	....	175	35	12	25	....	....	....	....	....	35	20
61	....	10	20	90	85	....	....	170	100	....	65	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....
62	1000	11	20	135	....	18	....	265	50	....	....	55	35	3	35	....	....	.....
63	....	22	10	60	25	15	....	190	....	6	....	65	....	3	....	....	....	.....
64	....	52	37	125	40	23	8	215	45	20	155	35	56	2	....	....	....	10
65	60	12	5	30	....	6	....	60	....	....	....	....	....	....	20	....	....	.....
66	....	....	.....	....	....	2	....	24	....	....	....	27	15	1	....	....	....	.....
67	....	12	19	35	....	4	20	40	....	25	....	....	....	....	20	20	22	.....
68	....	4	9	30	40	8	60	....	30	....	....	20	20	....	....	....	....	.....
69	....	3	6	10	....	1	6	15	....	12	33	15	....	....	....	....	....	.....
70	....	....	3	20	....	3	....	35	....	20	....	10	....	....	1	1	....	.....
	2690	1021	1223	4748	2850	712	1684	6678	2118	1090	2088	1249	882	45	884	619	682	351
	4553	982	1324	4712	2950	647	1718	6066	2239	1164	2017	1145	935	37	....	....	....	.....
	....	39	.....	36	....	65	....	612	....	....	71	104	....	8	....	....	....	.....
	1863	....	101	....	100	....	34	....	121	74	....	....	53	....	....	....	....	.....

	FIELD OF LABOR	Froeliche Botschafter	Jugend Pilger	Woman's Evangel	Pastor's Salary Paid by Charge	Missionary Appropriation	Parsonage Rent	Presents Rec'd	Total Received by Pastor
1	Arcanum	....	....	10	$ 875	$.....	$ 125	$ 10	$ 1015
2	Beardshear	....	....	....	400	.....	.....	10	410
3	Beavertown	....	....	8	700	.....	100	43	843
4	Bowlusville	....	....	....	210	.....	.....	20	230
5	Brookville	....	....	66	1000	.....	150	15	1165
6	Cincinnati—Willey Mem	....	....	....	750	.....	240	55	1045
7	Cherry Grove	....	....	....	700	.....	100	.....	800
8	Colerain	....	....	5	700	.....	60	86	846
9	Clifton	....	....	10	424	450	300	30	1204
10	College Hill	....	....	....	300	450	180	25	955
11	Cheviot	....	....	....	600	250	.....	5	855
12	Dayton—Belmont	....	....	4	600	.....	.....	32	632
13	Carrmonte	....	....	....	250	150	.....	3	403
14	Cowden Memorial	....	....	....	1500	.....	.....	27	1527
15	East Dayton	....	....	12	1000	.....	250	60	1310
16	First Church	....	....	60	2500	.....	.....	.....	2500
17	Fairview	....	....	....	700	200	.....	.....	900
18	Ft. McKinley	....	....	....	300	200	.....	15	515
19	High St	....	....	17	1000	.....	.....	30	1030
20	Hartford St	....	....	31	1200	.....	.....	100	1300
21	Home Avenue	....	....	17	850	.....	200	94	1144
22	Miami Chapel	....	....	11	800	.....	200	45	1045
23	Oak St	....	....	52	1250	.....	250	.....	1500
24	Olivet	....	....	2	800	.....	.....	15	815
25	Euclid Avenue	....	....	106	1980	.....	.....	.....	1980
26	Troy St	....	....	....	520	250	180	15	965
27	Kingsville	....	....	....	400	100	.....	41	541
28	Eaton	....	....	10	900	.....	150	30	1080
29	Englewood	....	....	1	200	.....	.....	.....	200
30	Eldorado	....	....	13	800	.....	.....	60	860
31	Germantown	....	....	35	1000	.....	200	40	1240
32	Greenville	....	....	17	900	.....	200	70	1170
33	Hamilton	....	....	2	500	450	.....	15	965
34	Harrison	1	....	....	570	140	.....	46	756
35	Ithaca	....	....	20	900	.....	100	60	1060
36	Lewisburg	....	....	18	1000	.....	150	27	1177
37	Liberty	....	....	14	900	.....	100	60	1060
38	Lockington	....	....	20	700	.....	100	25	825
39	Miamisburg	....	....	12	750	.....	180	78	1008
40	Middletown	....	....	25	1000	.....	300	.....	1300
41	Millville	....	....	....	274	.....	.....	22	296
42	Mt. Healthy	....	....	....	533	.....	180	40	753
43	New Hope	....	....	....	243	.....	.....	.....	243
44	North Bend	....	....	....	550	150	150	80	930
45	New Haven	....	....	16	800	.....	100	127	1027
46	Newport	....	....	1	900	100	.....	5	1005
47	New Madison	....	....	25	800	.....	100	16	916
48	Otterbein	....	....	11	700	.....	100	110	910
49	Otterbein Home	....	....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
50	Piqua	....	....	12	650	450	.....	50	1150
51	Pyrmont	....	....	....	250	.....	.....	18	268
52	Rossburg	....	....	....	640	.....	48	40	728
53	Rosewood	....	....	....	661	.....	85	.....	746
54	Salem	....	....	48	850	.....	100	40	990
55	Savona	....	....	6	800	.....	.....	50	850
56	Springfield—Columbus Ave	....	....	1	300	.....	.....	44	344
57	Lagonda Ave	....	....	1	850	.....	150	50	1050
58	Sulphur Grove	....	....	....	600	.....	72	30	702
59	Springboro	....	....	....	225	.....	84	40	349
60	Union City	....	....	8	850	.....	200	80	1130
61	Union Circuit	....	....	19	700	.....	100	55	855
62	Vandalia	....	....	12	782	.....	100	10	892
63	Waterhouse	....	....	....	700	.....	90	40	830
64	West Elkton	2	....	8	850	.....	60	40	950
65	Wagner	....	....	....	260	.....	.....	31	291
66	Yorkshire	....	....	....	110	.....	.....	30	140
67	Potsdam	....	....	9	500	.....	84	16	600
68	Pleasant Hill	....	....	....	350	.....	.....	.....	350
69	Utica and Oregonia	....	....	....	360	.....	.....	39	399
70	Aley Chapel	....	....	....	132	.....	.....	.....	132
	Totals	3	....	787	$ 48649	$ 3340	$ 5618	$ 2390	$ 59997
	Last Year	3	....	833	45779	3225	4701	2189	55894
	Increase	....	....	....	$ 2870	$ 115	$ 917	$ 201	$ 4103
	Decrease	....	....	46	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

	Conference Supt. Salary*	Local Current Expenses	Church and Parsonage Repair	For New Church	For New Parsonage	For Local S.S. Purposes	For Local Y.P. S. C. E.	Benevolence Budget	Conference Budget*	Conf. Church Extension	Special Foreign Missions	Special Home Missions
1	.....	$ 350	$ 500	$	$	$ 300	$	$ 600	$	$	$	$ 25
2	.....	.....	.....	5200	.....	94	.....	42	.....	.....	.....	.....
3	.....	225	.....	.....	.....	105	14	106	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	.....	50	10	.....	.....	50	.....	71	.....	.....	.....	.....
5	.....	1146	.....	.....	.....	337	5	625	.....	.....	.....	25
6	.....	329	129	.....	.....	139	25	150	.....	.....	3	.....
7	.....	300	306	.....	.....	.....	.....	146	.....	.....	.....	.....
8	.....	220	.....	.....	.....	110	15	200	.....	.....	.....	.....
9	.....	953	322	80	.....	.....	.....	110	.....	.....	.....	.....
10	.....	101	187	975	.....	27	.....	80	.....	.....	.....	.....
11	.....	92	25	27	.....	34	5	70	.....	.....	.....	.....
12	.....	284	150	.....	.....	175	34	180	.....	.....	.....	.....
13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	80	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....
14	.....	1201	1128	.....	.....	358	62	530	.....	.....	.....	.....
15	.....	543	5	713	.....	492	28	313	.....	.....	.....	.....
16	.....	4675	1000	.....	.....	860	3	1650	.....	.....	300	.....
17	.....	1178	.....	969	.....	260	.....	125	.....	.....	.....	.....
18	.....	92	65	300	.....	108	.....	60	.....	.....	.....	.....
19	.....	516	17	1540	.....	335	73	260	.....	.....	.....	.....
20	.....	385	492	.....	.....	761	15	340	.....	.....	.....	167
21	.....	200	600	.....	.....	380	.....	165	.....	.....	.....	.....
22	.....	250	108	1000	.....	225	.....	180	.....	.....	6	.....
23	.....	2055	644	.....	.....	844	100	1025	.....	.....	.....	200
24	.....	217	127	.....	.....	222	14	200	.....	.....	.....	.....
25	.....	2097	148	4608	.....	527	73	1600	.....	.....	52	.....
26	.....	246	455	.....	.....	207	13	96	.....	.....	.....	.....
27	.....	260	100	.....	.....	103	.....	55	.....	.....	5	.....
28	.....	136	.....	162	.....	189	5	98	.....	.....	.....	.....
29	.....	62	.....	1500	.....	63	5	60	.....	.....	.....	.....
30	.....	405	60	.....	.....	325	15	400	.....	.....	.....	.....
31	.....	678	50	200	100	340	10	414	.....	.....	.....	.....
32	.....	350	15	.....	.....	298	51	329	.....	.....	.....	.....
33	.....	670	15	.....	.....	219	20	155	.....	.....	.....	.....
34	.....	150	100	.....	.....	65	.....	94	.....	.....	.....	.....
35	.....	310	50	.....	.....	446	5	470	.....	.....	.....	.....
36	.....	175	80	.....	.....	221	38	275	.....	.....	.....	.....
37	.....	648	100	260	.....	365	20	521	.....	.....	.....	.....
38	.....	.....	10	.....	.....	210	10	204	.....	.....	.....	.....
39	.....	233	.....	2955	.....	140	.....	130	.....	.....	.....	.....
40	.....	352	25	.....	.....	305	65	465	.....	.....	.....	.....
41	.....	103	.....	.....	.....	45	2	50	.....	.....	.....	.....
42	.....	200	31	.....	335	87	.....	180	.....	.....	.....	.....
43	.....	104	19	.....	.....	60	.....	59	.....	.....	.....	.....
44	.....	153	54	1993	.....	291	5	176	.....	.....	.....	.....
45	.....	161	2480	.....	.....	.....	18	197	.....	.....	.....	.....
46	.....	231	139	.....	.....	157	3	170	.....	.....	.....	.....
47	.....	550	285	.....	.....	297	.....	370	.....	.....	.....	.....
48	.....	159	64	.....	.....	80	.....	325	.....	.....	.....	.....
49	.....	25	.....	193	.....	63	.....	59	.....	.....	.....	.....
50	.....	320	70	651	.....	222	2	200	.....	.....	.....	.....
51	.....	35	75	.....	.....	68	.....	70	.....	.....	.....	.....
52	.....	260	.....	.....	.....	302	.....	205	.....	.....	.....	.....
53	.....	175	80	.....	.....	61	.....	251	.....	.....	.....	.....
54	.....	350	1655	.....	.....	361	12	491	.....	.....	.....	.....
55	.....	200	155	.....	.....	210	25	200	.....	.....	.....	.....
56	.....	22	142	200	.....	103	7	85	.....	.....	.....	.....
57	.....	1617	36	.....	.....	358	102	331	.....	.....	21	4
58	.....	50	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	91	.....	.....	.....	.....
59	.....	65	25	.....	.....	35	15	80	.....	.....	.....	.....
60	.....	310	.....	.....	.....	250	.....	410	.....	.....	.....	11
61	.....	330	.....	.....	2200	.....	.....	227	.....	.....	.....	.....
62	.....	398	50	37	.....	358	22	254	.....	.....	.....	.....
63	.....	150	125	.....	.....	175	.....	200	.....	.....	.....	.....
64	.....	255	300	.....	.....	190	20	395	.....	.....	.....	.....
65	.....	93	100	.....	.....	100	19	110	.....	.....	.....	.....
66	.....	10	.....	.....	.....	44	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....
67	.....	158	100	.....	.....	90	.....	172	.....	.....	.....	.....
68	.....	75	.....	.....	.....	72	.....	128	.....	.....	25	.....
69	.....	99	.....	.....	.....	55	12	75	.....	.....	.....	.....
70	.....	50	230	.....	.....	37	.....	76	.....	.....	.....	.....
	.....	$28842	$13288	$23563	$ 2635	$14490	$ 987	$18273	$	$	$ 412	$ 432
	.....	26571	21954	20260	2971	14370	853	17870	.....	53	232	313
	.....	2271	.....	3303	.....	120	134	403	.....	.....	180	119
	.....	.....	8666	.....	336	.....	.....	.....	.....	53	.....	.....

*Included in Benevolence Budget.

	FIELD OF LABOR	Special Church Erection	Special College	Special Bonebrake Seminary	Y. P. S. C. E. Offerings (not for Budget)	Jr. & Int. C. E. Offerings (not for Budget)	Brotherhood (not for Budget)	Children's Day (not for Budget)	Special S. S. Work.	W. M. A. Contributions
1	Arcanum	$ 25	$	$ 10	$	$	$	$	$ 7	$ 66
2	Beardshear									
3	Beavertown				2					66
4	Bowlusville									
5	Brookville				4	1				325
6	Cincinnati—Willey Mem.				6		1			
7	Cherry Grove									
8	Colerain									56
9	Clifton									22
10	College Hill									
11	Cheviot				24	3			1	
12	Dayton—Belmont				5					50
13	Carrmonte									
14	Cowden Memorial					9		20	156	156
15	East Dayton					14				60
16	First Church									60
17	Fairview									
18	Ft. McKinley				25	13			1	
19	High St.							14	55	117
20	Hartford St	35								146
21	Home Ave					1				61
22	Miami Chapel				42	24				107
23	Oak St.									364
24	Olivet				50	9	50			
25	Euclid Ave								23	399
26	Troy St.									
27	Kingsville									
28	Eaton				35					72
29	Englewood									
30	Eldorado			125						12
31	Germantown		6						149	180
32	Greenville		500	20	15	20			5	85
33	Hamilton									
34	Harrison									
35	Ithaca			5						65
36	Lewisburg				10	12				65
37	Liberty			75						70
38	Lockington									
39	Miamisburg									40
40	Middletown									125
41	Millville					3				
42	Mt. Healthy									
43	New Hope									
44	North Bend									15
45	New Haven									144
46	Newport				19				8	14
47	New Madison									222
48	Otterbein								8	50
49	Otterbein Home		5							19
50	Piqua									30
51	Pyrmont									
52	Rossburg									
53	Rosewood									
54	Salem									261
55	Savona			100					25	
56	Springfield—Columbus Ave.				15		19		5	
57	Lagonda Avenue									51
58	Sulphur Grove									
59	Springboro				9				3	
60	Union City			20					30	20
61	Union Circuit									
62	Vandalia									27
63	Waterhouse				35				11	
64	West Elkton									
65	Wagner							4	5	
66	Yorkshire									
67	Potsdam									80
68	Pleasant Hill									
69	Utica and Oregonia				7				4	
70	Aley Chapel							4		25
	Total	$ 60	$ 511	$ 355	$ 303	$ 109	$ 70	$ 42	$ 496	$ 3727
	Last Year	56	2999	780	418	71	130	8	162	4291
	Increase	4				38		34	334	
	Decrease		2488	425	115		60			564

	Otterbein Guild Contributions	Homes and Orphanages	For Temperance Cause	Evangelistic Work	Bible Cause	Miscellaneous	Total for all Purposes	Church Houses	Built this Year	Value	Debt
1	$.....	$ 25	$ 60	$ 145	$.....	$ 127	$ 3250	1	.....	$ 10000	$.....
2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5746	1	.....	5200	1700
3	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	15	1382	1	.....	6000	.....
4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	411	1	.....	1200	.....
5	40	17	75	30	.....	.....	3795	2	.....	16000	.....
6	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	40	1870	1	.....	7500	.....
7	.....	.....	40	165	.....	.....	1757	4	.....	9300	.....
8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1447	4	.....	18000	.....
9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2691	1	.....	16500	9500
10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	54	2379	1	.....	16000	10500
11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	368	1504	1	.....	2720	1400
12	.....	8	98	.....	.....	25	1641	1	.....	5000	.....
13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	495	.....	.....	.....	.....
14	12	.....	68	41	.....	162	5430	1	.....	22500	2100
15	.....	.....	31	35	.....	.....	3544	1	.....	20000	9700
16	453	66	265	30	.....	353	12215	1	.....	102000	8000
17	.....	.....	37	51	.....	.....	3520	1	.....	14000	8750
18	.....	.....	11	.....	.....	.....	1190	1	.....	7000	2200
19	17	12	10	10	.....	50	4056	1	.....	38000	17500
20	14	35	100	54	.....	.....	3844	1	.....	12000	500
21	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	269	2834	1	.....	7000	.....
22	.....	.....	101	.....	.....	.....	3088	1	.....	25000	14500
23	61	.....	.....	11	.....	.....	6804	1	.....	30000	2000
24	.....	.....	54	.....	.....	22	1780	1	.....	6500	700
25	70	40	250	228	.....	272	12367	1	.....	75000	14000
26	.....	.....	25	13	.....	22	2042	1	.....	10000	1600
27	.....	.....	.....	98	.....	.....	1162	1	.....	3500	119
28	12	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	1809	1	.....	8000	1070
29	.....	.....	14	45	.....	.....	1949	1	.....	2500	.....
30	.....	.....	120	56	.....	285	2663	3	.....	14000	.....
31	.....	.....	30	200	.....	10	3607	1	.....	30000	.....
32	.....	.....	42	.....	.....	.....	2900	1	.....	5300	.....
33	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	2074	1	.....	14000	7630
34	.....	6	5	75	.....	.....	1251	4	.....	6500	.....
35	.....	.....	.....	120	.....	.....	2531	3	.....	17000	.....
36	.....	.....	53	10	.....	.....	2116	1	.....	9000	.....
37	.....	.....	125	85	.....	.....	3329	4	.....	26000	.....
38	.....	.....	7	.....	1	.....	1267	5	.....	9000	.....
39	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	4518	1	1	12000	5000
40	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	200	2877	1	.....	14500	2300
41	.....	.....	2	10	.....	135	646	1	.....	2500	.....
42	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	13	1612	1	.....	1291	.....
43	.....	.....	10	20	.....	275	790	1	.....	5000	.....
44	.....	.....	8	112	.....	137	3874	2	.....	14500	4682
45	.....	4	51	66	.....	.....	4148	1	.....	7000	.....
46	.....	.....	10	10	.....	.....	1766	1	.....	12000	300
47	.....	.....	54	350	.....	.....	3044	2	.....	10000	.....
48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	1615	1	.....	8000	.....
49	.....	633	.....	.....	.....	.....	997	.....	.....	.....	.....
50	.....	.....	31	25	.....	13	2714	1	.....	16000	7294
51	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	516	1	.....	2500	.....
52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1495	6	.....	8500	.....
53	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1313	3	.....	7000	.....
54	.....	.....	59	.....	.....	.....	4179	3	.....	5500	.....
55	.....	.....	105	.....	.....	350	2220	3	.....	19000	.....
56	.....	18	21	.....	.....	.....	981	1	.....	2500	.....
57	12	8	13	140	.....	1981	5724	1	.....	19000	4600
58	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	893	1	.....	2000	.....
59	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	581	1	.....	2000	.....
60	.....	38	75	50	.....	795	3139	1	.....	12000	300
61	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3612	3	.....	4500	.....
62	.....	.....	14	90	.....	.....	2142	2	.....	6000	.....
63	.....	.....	.....	85	.....	.....	1611	3	.....	5800	.....
64	.....	10	90	235	.....	.....	2445	4	.....	12200	.....
65	.....	3	50	75	.....	.....	850	1	.....	5000	.....
66	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	135	363	1	.....	1200	.....
67	.....	.....	25	75	.....	20	1320	1	.....	3000	.....
68	.....	10	.....	10	.....	.....	670	1	.....	2000	.....
69	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	657	2	.....	5000	.....
70	.....	.....	.....	21	.....	.....	574	1	.....	2000	.....
	$ 691	$ 962	$ 1389	$ 2907	$ 1	$ 6147	$ 181646	112	.....	$ 856711	$ 137945
	225	2836	1355	945	5	2662	181733	112	.....	859951	146096
	466	.....	34	1962	.....	3485	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	.....	1874	.....	.....	4	.....	87	.....	.....	3240	8151

	FIELD OF LABOR	Net Value	Parsonage	Value	Debt	Net Value	Months Employed	Conference Minutes Wanted
1	Arcanum	$ 10000	1	$ 1800	$	$ 1800	12	75
2	Beardshear	3500					12	25
3	Beavertown	6000	1	2000		2000	12	30
4	Bowlusville	1200					12	15
5	Brookville	16000	1	2500		2500	12	60
6	Cincinnati—Willey Memorial	7500	1	2000		2000	12	30
7	Cherry Grove	9300	1	1300		1300	12	60
8	Colerain	18000	1	1300		1300	12	90
9	Clifton	7000	1	7000	3000	4000	12	35
10	College Hill	5500	1	2500	1000	1500	12	25
11	Cheviot	1320					12	20
12	Dayton—Belmont	5000	Lot	300		300	12	30
13	Carrmonte						12	25
14	Cowden Memorial	20400	1	4500	4250	250	12	50
15	East Dayton	10300	1	4500		4500	12	70
16	First Church	94000	1	9000		9000	12	75
17	Fairview	5250					12	45
18	Ft. McKinley	4800					12	30
19	High St.	20500					12	50
20	Hartford St.	11500					12	75
21	Home Avenue	7000	1	2500		2500	12	45
22	Miami Chapel	10500	1	4000		4000	12	60
23	Oak Street	28000	1	3000		3000	12	75
24	Olivet	5800					12	20
25	Euclid Avenue	61000					12	40
26	Troy Street	8400	1	2500	1484	1016	12	65
27	Kingsville	3381					12	15
28	Eaton	6930	1	2500		2500	12	25
29	Englewood	2500					12	25
30	Eldorado	14000					12	80
31	Germantown	30000	1	4000		4000	12	80
32	Greenville	5300	1	2500		2500	12	70
33	Hamilton	6370					12	20
34	Harrison	6500					12	25
35	Ithaca	17000	1	1800		1800	12	80
36	Lewisburg	9000	1	1600		1600	12	75
37	Liberty	26000	1	2100		2100	12	100
38	Lockington	9000	1	1000		1000	12	50
39	Miamisburg	7000	1	3000	2500	500	12	50
40	Middletown	12200	1	4000		4000	12	50
41	Millville	2500					12	25
42	Mt. Healthy	1291	1	3940	1140	2800	12	30
43	New Hope	5000	1	600	135	465	12	30
44	North Bend	9818					12	30
45	New Haven	7000	1	2200		2200	12	40
46	Newport	11700	1	1000	200	800	12	60
47	New Madison	10000	1	1500		1500	12	75
48	Otterbein	8000	1	1600		1600	12	50
49	Otterbein Home						12	25
50	Piqua	8706					12	50
51	Pyrmont	2500					12	20
52	Rossburg	8500	1	1000		1000	12	100
53	Rosewood	7000	1	1000		1000	12	35
54	Salem	5500	1	2300	83	2217	12	70
55	Savona	19000					12	60
56	Springfield—Columbus Avenue	2500					12	50
57	Lagonda Avenue	14400	1	2000		2000	12	50
58	Sulphur Grove	2000	1	1500		1500	12	50
59	Springboro	2000	1	1000		1000	12	15
60	Union City	11700	1	3300	1525	1775	12	60
61	Union Circuit	4500	1	2200		2200	12	75
62	Vandalia	6000	1	1200		1200	12	75
63	Waterhouse	5800					12	25
64	West Elkton	12200	1	2500		2500	12	50
65	Wagner	5000					12	20
66	Yorkshire	1200					12	12
67	Potsdam	3000	1	2500		2500	12	35
68	Pleasant Hill	2000					12	25
69	Utica and Oregonia	5000					12	30
70	Aley Chapel	2000					9	25
	Total	$ 718766	41	$ 104540	$ 15317	$ 89223	837	3262
	Last Year	713855	39	98200	13906	84294	801	3450
	Increase	4911		6340	1411	4929	36	
	Decrease							188

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS

1. Organizations—Number churches, 111; number new churches organized, . . ; number churches disorganized, 3; itinerants (total), 78; local preachers, 24.

2. Membership—Beginning of year, 17,291; received by confession of faith, 1,557; received by letter or transfer, 501; received by change in boundary, 11. Total in church during year, 19,360. Lost by death, 173; lost by letter and transfer, 478; lost by change in boundary, . . ; all other losses, 990; total loss, 1,641. Present membership, 17,719. Increase, 428. Members under watch-care of church, 34.

3. Societies—Number Y. P. S. C. E. societies, 76; members in Y. P. S. C. E. societies, 3,311; number Junior and Intermediate C. E. societies, 41; members in Junior and Intermediate societies, 1,327; number Otterbein brotherhoods, 17; members in Otterbein brotherhoods, 785; number W. M. A. societies, 52; members in W. M. A. societies 1,854; number Otterbein Guilds, 12; members in Otterbein Guilds, 257.

4. Sunday School—Number Sunday schools, 108; teachers and officers, 2,115; scholars in main school, 18,430; scholars in Home Department, 1,125; number on Cradle Roll, 2,208. Total enrollment, 23,878. Average attendance, 10,804; number organized adult classes, 308; number organized classes (ages 12-20), 110; scholars in organized adult classes, 4,631; Sunday-school libraries, 25; volumes in libraries, 2,690; added to the church from the Sunday school, 1,021.

5. Literature—Religious Telescope, 1,223; Watchword, 4,748; Friend for Boys and Girls, 2,850; Otterbein Teacher, 712; Otterbein Adult Quarterly 1,684; Otterbein Senior Quarterly, 6,678; Otterbein Intermediate Quarterly, 2,118; Otterbein Home Department Quarterly, 1,090; Weekly Bible Lesson Leaves, 2,088; Lessons for our Juniors, 1,249; Bible Pictures for Little Ones, 882; Lesson Picture Chart, 45; Graded Series: Beginners, 884, Primary, 619, Junior, 682, Intermediate, 351; Froeliche Botschafter, 3; Jugend Pilger, . . ; Woman's Evangel, 787.

6. Finances—Pastors' salaries paid by charges, $48,649; missionary appropriation, $3,340; parsonage rent, $5,618; presents received, $2,390; total received by pastors, $59,997; Local current expenses, $28,842; church and parsonage repair, $13,288; for new church, $23,563; for new parsonage, $2,635; for local Sunday-school purposes, $14,490; for local Y. P. S. C. E. expenses, $987; benevolence budget, $18,273; special foreign missions, $412; special home missions, $432; special church erection, $60; special Otterbein College, $511; special Bonebrake Seminary, $355; Y. P. S. C. E. offerings (not for budget), $303; Junior and Intermediate C. E. offerings (not for budget), $109; Brotherhood (not for budget), $70; Children's Day (not for budget), $42; special Sunday-school work, $496; W. M. A. contributions, $3,727; Otterbein Guild contributions, $691; Homes and Orphanages, $962; for Temperance Cause, $1,389; evangelistic work, $2,907; Bible cause, $1; miscellaneous, $6,147. Total for all purposes, $181,646.

7. Property—Church houses, 112; built this year, ..; value, $856,711; debt, $137,945; net value, $718,766; parsonages, 41; value, $104,540; debt, $15,317; net value, $89,223.

8. Miscellaneous—Months employed, 837; Conference Minutes wanted, 2,500.

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

PROMPTLY at nine o'clock, a.m., September 1, 1915, Bishop G. M. Mathews, D.D., of Dayton, Ohio, rapped the one hundred and sixth session of the Miami Annual Conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ to order, in the First United Brethren Church, Miamisburg, Ohio.

The pastor, Rev. W. I. Underwood, led in singing Hymn No. 33 in Excell's song-book, "Joy to the World."

Superintendent C. W. Kurtz read Acts 1:1-14, and called on Revs. M. I. Comfort, J. H. Dutton, and Ira D. Warner to pray.

Following this period of fervent prayer of thanksgiving and intercession, "My Faith Looks Up to Thee" was sung.

Bishop Mathews read the sixty-second chapter of Isaiah and introduced Mr. Peter Quartel, of the Dayton Rescue Mission, who sang "Alone with God" very feelingly.

Bishop Mathews then gave an address on "The Church's Message for the Times."

The Church is facing a crisis. People are seeking for pleasure, entertainment, and wealth, as is evidenced by the fact that fifty per cent. of them never attend the services of the Church. The message must be definite; people are tired of platitudes. The Bible is God's message to men now as much as it ever was; for it is just as powerful to save from sin as when Christ gave it to the disciples. No new gospel is needed. Seek only to preach it in the "demonstration of the Spirit." Let the Word possess you, and work through you; then it will bring results. Sing it, preach it so people can understand it. The Church must hold up divine ideals of ethics; for vital godliness lifts up the world. Press the need of acceptance now. Busines men should pay a living wage to their female help, so that they shall not be driven to live immoral lives. We must banish the saloon, the greatest promoter of sin in the world to-day. Laymen can greatly aid the Church in her efforts to advance the kingdom of God on earth by paying an adequate wage to their pastors. But while preachers should have better salaries, we should be careful that we do not *commercialize* the gospel of Jesus Christ. Money does not make the minister immortal. The supreme business of the Church is

to bring men to *know* that Christ has power to *save* them from *sin;* not to get them into the Church. Every member of the Church ought to be "a catcher of souls." The supreme need of the hour is pentecostal singing, praying, and preaching, that will move men into the kingdom of God on earth.

Again Mr. Quartel sang, rendering "Think of Him." By invitation of the Bishop Mr. Quartel addressed the Conference briefly on the joy of winning men to Christ; and expressed his sympathy with the pastors, who have grave problems to solve.

Rev. A. R. Clippinger led in a brief prayer.

The roll of the ministers and lay delegates was called.

On motion the six front rows of seats were made the bar of the Conference.

The provisional program arranged by the Superintendent and the secretaries, was adopted as the official program.

It was agreed that the Bishop appoint the committees for the Conference. He then read the names of the persons named by him. See Report No. 1.

Rev. E. S. Comrey was appointed to report the proceedings of the Conference to the Cincinnati papers; C. E. Hetzler for the Dayton Journal; R. E. Penick for the Dayton News; J. J. Mullaney for the Springfield papers; C. B. Boda for the Piqua papers; J. W. Kilbourne for the Hamilton papers; D. R. Wilson for the Eaton papers; W. M. VanSickle for the Greenville papers.

Rev. W. I. Underwood was appointed as postmaster.

The roll of the unemployed ministers was called, and letters were read from Bishop C. J. Kephart, J. D. Williams, M. R. Geyer, J. P. Landis, E. H. Caylor, G. W. Hamilton, Mrs. E. W. Bailey, L. R. Jacoby, and C. F. Meyer.

Short talks were made by Revs. J. N. Beckett, R. E. Hemphill, David E. Myers, C. W. Miller, J. L. Swain, and J. P. Stewart.

The names of G. W. Duckwall, A. A. Grill, M. F. Hawley, J. H. Sipe, J. L. Armstrong, N. D. Bevis, E. J. Haerr, Frank Johannes, R. E. Penick, G. F. Bauer, and M. O. Stein, were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

After announcements were made as to the time and place of various committee meetings, the Conference adjourned on motion, with the benediction by Rev. D. E. Myers, chaplain of the Military Home, Marion, Indiana.

WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference was called to order at 1:30 by the presiding Bishop. Rev. W. C. Andreas, Conference chorister, led in singing song No. 21. Rev. H. A. Bovey led in prayer.

The Elysian Quartet, composed of J. M. Replogle, O. F. Bilger, W. T. Frank, and D. R. Wilson, rendered "Sunshine Cometh Soon."

Rev. Calvin McNelly gave an address on the "Events in the Ministry of Christ from his Baptism, A. D. 27, to the Second Passover, A. D. 28." The address was not bookish but original, and delivered with fervor.

The events of this period may be embraced in one word—Jesus Christ. His preparation for baptism may be taken as a most admirable example for all who come to him. He grew in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man. He learned how to refuse evil and choose good. His knowledge of the Scriptures was perfect. He learned the government was upon his shoulders. He was to be called Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. An endless kingdom was to be his, and he comes to his baptism with a vision of his work and suffering, and a knowledge of his power to help and save humanity; and in this ordinance dedicates himself to his cause with his Father's approbation and the blessed Holy Spirit overwhelming him, and into whose guidance he enters the wilderness of temptation to fight the battle of life. He recognized the devil as a reality and power and a hindrance to salvation, that must be put behind him. "What he tells you, that do," came from his mother at Cana and resulted in the miracle of turning water into wine. His great zeal for righteousness urged him to drive from the temple money-loving thieves, and he received with open arms those who came to him and put their trust in him and out of penitent hearts called him King, Son of God, Jesus Christ, "I have found the Christ," "King of Israel." John says, "Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God," and John 3:16 is a blessed gospel to them. But to those who, like Nicodemus, say, "Master," "Joseph's Son," "Great Teacher," the words come from the Savior, "Ye must be born again"; and down through the centuries comes the cry to vacillating, doubting humanity, "Ye must be born again."

Jesus on the mountain top of a most happy and exhilarating experience mounts the steps from "poor in spirit" to the very top round of Christian perfection; and this remarkable period is closed with a demand for the Son of God to be proclaimed King of the world. How can the Savior refuse the proffered honor, How can the truth be told? Oh, magnify our Savior for refusing to bow to popularity, and giving us his broken body to nourish us back to life; and may we drink his blood until he comes again, in power and glory!

The quartet sang "Come Unto Me."

Dr. J. G. Huber spoke in approval of Brother McNelly's address.

The following persons were introduced to the Conference: Dr. G. A. Funkhouser, of Allegheny Conference; Rev. T. J. Halstead of the Methodist Protestant Church; Rev. E. S. Comrey, of East Pennsylvania Conference; Rev. D. K. Freymeyer, of Wisconsin Conference; G. R. Strayer, of East Pennsylvania Conference; and all were invited to advisory membership, as was L. O. Miller, Conference treasurer, who announced that, in accordance with the decision of the Conference Advisory Committee, the treasurer's books would close Thursday at noon, and those having Conference money must turn it in before that time to get it in this year's report.

Rev. C. W. Kurtz, D.D,. read his report as Superintendent, for the year, which was also distributed in printed form. See Report No. 2. The report was approved by vote, and the recommendations contained therein were referred to the following special committee, to be presented to the Conference for action at the call of the Bishop. The committee appointed was as follows: Rev. J. H. Dutton, Rev. W. T. Frank, Rev. J. W. Kilbourne, Allen Burkert, and Jacob Keifer.

The names of Revs. T. J. Halstead and D. K. Freymeyer were referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The name of Rev. E. S. Comrey was referred to the Committee on Elders' Orders.

Rev. A. Dunkelberger read his report as Conference Evangelist. The report was approved by vote of the Conference, and by request was followed with a recital of incidents in connection with the work. See No. 3.

"Revive us Again" was sung, followed by the singing of "'T is the Old-Time Religion." Rev. J. W. Kilbourne led in prayer.

Rev. C. W. Miller gave a short fervent exhortation to the pastors to preach Christ and the fundamental doctrines of the Bible to the people.

Rev. J. H. Dutton made a statement in reference to the work of the Evangelistic Committee, and then read a detailed report of the receipts, expenditures, and subscriptions yet to collect on the tabernacle, which has been used at Johnsville and New Madison.

The report was discussed by Revs. J. E. Yingling, C. W. Kurtz, Bishop Mathews, J. W. Kilbourne, J. W. Flory, E. W. Bowers, G. T. Powell, C. E. Plack, and others. The report was adopted. See No. 4A.

On motion of Rev. J. G. Huber, the Evangelistic Committee was asked to make a detailed report as to the receipts on evangelist's salary and other purposes for the entire year.

Rev. D. E. Myers gave some reminiscences of evangelism during his pastorates in the Conference, and suggested how men might be appealed to, to contribute toward the evangelistic work from a mercenary motive, if no higher appeal could be made.

The name of L. M. Martin was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The report of Committee on Conference Relations was read and adopted. See No. 4B.

Announcements were made by the chairman for various committee meetings.

Rev. G. S. J. Brown, D.D., of the American Bible Society, was introduced and spoke briefly of the many doors open for the Word in every foreign land.

Adjournment was had on motion, by singing "Blessed Assurance," and the benediction by Rev. J. L. Swain.

THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Bishop Mathews called the Conference to order at 8:30 a.m.

Rev. W. C. Andreas, chorister, led the audience in singing "The Touch of His Hand on Mine."

A number of laymen and ministers led in short, voluntary, fervent prayers for the presence and power of the Holy Spirit during the sessions of the day.

The audience remained standing and sang No. 82.

The Bishop led in a tender, loving prayer that lifted us nearer to God.

"The Events of Christ's Ministry from the Second Passover to the Third Passover, A. D. 29," was discussed by Rev. O. F. Bilger, in a calm, dispassionate, and analytical manner. The outline follows:

As he traveled on the way from Jerusalem to Galilee, to Peræa and back to Galilee.

We must remember that Christ had a two-fold object in view: by establishing the kingdom of heaven here on earth, he is dealing with the object for which the kingdom is come; that this object (the world) shall and must be the means through which the heavenly kingdom is perpetuated after his ascension.

All the events center in the one great theme, his teaching. Jesus, as a teacher, performed many miracles, thus augmenting his teaching.

Since the days of Alexander, the vices of the East and West had poured into Palestine; wrong living and thinking had distorted the bodies and minds and souls of men. On every hand beggars, afflicted with all kinds of loathsome diseases, cried for help and healing. Into this life Jesus entered with a perfect body, with a mind that was clear and sane. He recognized many of the hidden causes that lay back of the guilt and suffering which confronted him. Inspired by a divine pity, intense passion not only to relieve but to heal and save the ignorant, shepherdless, suffering masses that thronged him in the eager hope that he could help them, joyously and confidently he met the human need, for he knew that life and health and happiness were the good gifts that the Heavenly Father was eager to bestow upon them.

The miracles of Jesus have a significance and mark the events of his ministry. In their evident influence on his thought and methods of work, and in his power to heal, they aided him greatly in fulfilling his mission; for it was necessary first to remove the physical and mental barriers before he could deal effectively with men's deeper morals and spiritual problems. The miracles, as the Gospel clearly states, made a profound impression not only upon the crowds who gathered about him, but also upon his own disciples; that which they beheld confirmed their convictions

regarding his character and mission. It was the memory of the miracles that carried the church through the crises during the second and third centuries.

In his acts of healing he set an example for his followers for all ages. His representatives in the present, as well as the past, are called upon to deal not merely with the intellectual and spiritual problems of the people, but in solving them as well. They are to contribute that which is indispensable to man's mental and physical well-being. He desired that they "might have life, and that more abundantly," that they might "know the truth and that the truth might make them free."

The second year's work closes by Jesus declaring himself the "bread of life from heaven."

He was the Savior because he was the teacher of men. Knowing God, he led men to God. Having peace, he was able to lead men in the way of peace. Having learned the value of service, he taught men how to find their life by losing it in behalf of their fellowmen. As a teacher he is the light which reveals the character and will of God. He not only guides men in the way of truth, but their attitude towards him and his teaching is the supreme test of character. His teaching is the life-giving bread which gives life to the world: that Christianity wins and transforms men by the influence of personality upon personality; it is a spiritual force emanating from God himself finding the noblest expression in Jesus, but rendered continuously effective through his apostles and his faithful followers in all ages; that it is an ever-broadening wave of direct personal influence; the central figure in Christianity is the Son of Man, "tempted in all points as we are, yet without sin," a perfect humanity which is at the same time divine. Then, as we study the "Events of Christ's Ministry," we learn that the keystone of Christianity is Jesus, our Elder Brother, our Example, our Teacher, our Master, and our Savior.

The Conference roll was called and corrected.

The minutes of Wednesday were read and approved.

The name of Rev. C. T. Walker was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

Rev. W. E. Schell, Educational Secretary, and President W. G. Clippinger, were granted the usual courtesies, on motion.

"Be Sure You are Right, and Go Ahead," was sung by the quartet.

The Committee on Candidates for the Ministry made a partial report, which was adopted. See Report No. 5.

A partial report of the Committee on Conference Relations was read and approved. See Report No. 6.

Rev. W. H. Smelker and Rev. Virgil Mayne were appointed to distribute and collect the ballots for the election of Conference Superintendent.

Rev. C. W. Kurtz, D.D., was elected as Conference Superintendent on the first ballot.

The Elysian Quartet sang "Get a Transfer," and as an encore sang "Onward and Upward."

Rev. J. G. Huber, Rev. J. H. Dutton, and Rev. A. Dunkelberger were continued as the Committee on Seminary Extension by vote of the Conference.

Rev. C. W. Kurtz expressed his appreciation for the confidence reposed in him by re-electing him for the ninth consecutive year as Superintendent.

Rev. J. L. Swain was chosen as a member of the Stationing Committee at the suggestion of Superintendent Kurtz.

Dr. W. R. Funk, Publishing Agent, was granted the courtesies of the Conference.

Rev. Mr. Brown, retired evangelical minister of Miamisburg, was introduced to the Conference and invited to sit within the bar.

G. W. Crabbe, State Superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League of West Virginia, and Mr. P. J. Wortman, Dayton district superintendent, were introduced to the Conference.

At the suggestion of Bishop Mathews, October 13 was accepted as a day of prayer for the Temperance Cause in Ohio.

Rev. N. D. Bevis read the report on Education.

President W. G. Clippinger, of Otterbein University, addressed the Conference in a very definite, business-like way, showing the plans for advancement in material and intellectual equipment.

Rev. C. W. Miller asked whether proper legal steps had been taken so that there shall be no complications, or loss of bequests, through the change of name to Otterbein College.

The president's answers were entirely satisfactory to all.

A group of Otterbein fellows indulged in singing college songs and giving various yells, thus adding enthusiasm to the theme of the hour.

The report on Education was approved by vote. See No. 6.

Dr. W. E. Schell, Educational Secretary, addressed the Conference on the general theme of education, prefacing his address by reciting a part of a chapter of Proverbs touching the importance of acquiring knowledge. He is radically opposed to the secularization of our public schools, and approves the imparting of Christian culture. He named three objects to be attained by the Board of Education: First, to arouse interest in the subject of education; second, to increase the attendance in all our Church schools; third, to increase the endowment funds for all our colleges. He closed by reciting an original poem on the subject of giving that elicted much applause. See No. 7.

Doctor Kurtz said that the best thing he ever did was to give his heart to God, and next to that was to go to college.

All who were graduates, or had been in college, were asked to stand, and about forty-five persons arose.

Dr. G. A. Funkhouser spoke on Seminary Extension work, not alone in our Church, but in a number of other denominations that are adopting something of the same sort. Praying, men speaking to God, is out of proportion to having God speak to us. Dan Crawford said, "You can count the seeds in an apple, but you can't count the orchards in a seed." Let the seed of the Word get into your life and into the life of your church, through the use of the seed—the Word of God—and great results will follow.

S. B. Maeder, treasurer of the Publishing House, was introduced to the Conference, and urged all who have accounts with the House to see him and settle the same.

The Committee on Nominations read their report, and it was accepted; and it was ordered that the ballots be printed.

Various announcements were made as to place and time of committee meetings. Rev. D. Berger, D.D., was invited to the rostrum by the Bishop, and spoke briefly.

The Conference quartet sang "Sometime" very touchingly.

Adjourned on motion with the benediction by Doctor Berger.

THURSDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Bishop called the Conference to order at 1:30 p.m.

The pastor, W. I. Underwood, announced "Faith Will Bring the Blessing," and led in singing it.

Following this, the audience joined in singing "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing."

Dr. W. J. Pruner read several selections from "The Workers Handbook," giving brief comments thereon, following with prayer.

"The Appearances of Christ for Forty Days after the Resurrection," was discussed by Rev. W. C. Andreas in a forceful, helpful way, recalling the fact that our Christ is not a dead but a living God of sympathy and unlimited power. (Paper not received by secretary.)

The quartet sang "Reapers are Needed."

Dr. W. H. Klinefelter read the report on Third Year's Course of Reading. The report was accepted. See No. 9.

The Committee on Elders' Orders reported and the report was accepted by vote. See Report No. 10.

A supplemental report of the Committee on Admission to the Conference was read and approved. See No. 11.

Dr. H. F. Shupe, editor of the Watchword, and Rev. A. W. Denlinger, of the Baptist Church, were introduced to the Conference and given the usual courtesies.

The report of the Conference Board of Trustees was read by the secretary, J. E. Yingling, and accepted by vote of the Conference.

The action of the board in reference to the case of Rev. J. P. Stewart was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

L. O. Miller made an impassioned plea for the aged ministers of the Conference. Rev. J. E. Yingling spoke in opposition to Mr. Miller's plan but not his purpose.

Rev. Walter Van Saun read the report on Sabbath Observance. The report was adopted. See No. 12.

Rev. C. E. Hetzler read the report on Otterbein Brotherhood, and it was approved by vote. See No. 13.

A letter was read from Secretary Brewbaker. See No. 14.

Superintendent Kurtz spoke briefly and distributed blanks to secure the addresses of the Sunday-school superintendents of the Conference.

The report on "The Christian Home" was read by Rev. Calvin McNelly. It was accepted by vote. See No. 15.

Dr. W. R. Funk spoke on the Otterbein Home, in a heart-touching way, revealing the need and magnitude of the work.

The report prepared by Dr. J. R. King was read by the secretary, and accepted, and ordered printed in the minutes. See No. 16.

Dr. Funk stated that each one giving one dollar will have the privilege to name a tree to be planted in the proposed great orchard on the Otterbein Home farm.

Dr. J. G. Huber presented a resolution in reference to the Otterbeing Home offering. See No. 17.

Rev. H. A. Sechrist, field secretary for the Otterbein Home, spoke briefly in reference to the institution.

President Clippinger gave a provisional invitation for the Conference to hold its next annual session at Westerville, in conjunction with other Ohio conferences.

Rev. O. D. Wellbaum read a paper on the Ohio rural-life work, showing the need of co-operation with the other denominations in systematizing the work of the Church in making it a power in the social, civic, and religious life of the rural population. He presented the following resolution. See No. 18.

Dr. H. A. Thompson spoke to the Conference and urged the people to purchase a half-dozen of his latest published book.

Rev. J. H. Mayne read a report on memoirs, but it was not given to the secretary.

Announcements were made and the Conference adjourned on motion of Dr. Kurtz, with the benediction by Dr. H. A. Thompson.

FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

At the appointed time, 8:30 a.m., Bishop Mathews called the Conference to order.

The chorister led in singing "The Way of the Cross Leads Home."

Many persons in the audience recited from memory some of the most precious gems from the Scriptures.

Following these recitals, the secretaries led in prayer.

The audience sang "He is Able to Deliver Thee" as if they really believed it.

Rev. Ivory Zimmerman read a fine paper on "Jesus, the King." (Not received by the secretary.)

The quartet followed with "Peace, Sweet Peace," very feelingly.

Dr. W. J. Shuey, who is in his eighty-ninth year, spoke to the Conference saying that Miamisburg was the place of his nativity. The house in which he was born, built by his father, who was a carpenter, is still standing and habitable. Sixty-seven years ago he joined the Miami Conference at Farmersville, that being the third session that he had attended; so that for sixty-nine consecutive years Doctor Shuey has not missed a session of this Conference. This is a marvelous record, probably never surpassed by any minister in this Church. He began preaching as a junior preacher, on the Germantown charge, at the age of eighteen. He believes that there is a personal devil, and exhorted the young men of the Conference not to listen to him when he suggests that they turn aside from the ministry. He exhorted the preachers to give themselves to the ministry of the Word, and to the visitation of the people. The minister should be positive. One of the most uncomfortable places one can sit is on the top of a rail fence. Doctor Shuey said that this would likely be his last Conference, unless the future sessions should be held in Dayton, even though his life should be spared. He urged the young men going into the ministry to secure an education. He asserted that he had never sought for office or position and cautioned his hearers against doing so.

"Shall We Gather at the River" was sung. Doctor Huber led in a tender prayer. The quartet sang "Oh, Beautiful City of Gold" with much feeling.

Rev. M. W. Mumma, of Southeast Ohio Conference, returned Philippine missionary, and Rev. J. W. Owen, D.D., of East Pennsylvania Conference, and associate editor of Sunday-school literature, were introduced to the Conference and asked to sit with us.

The minutes of Thursday were read, corrected, and approved.

H. C. Cridland, secretary of the Montgomery County Sunday School Association, read a paper on "Ministerial Leadership" that was very epigrammatic and full of boiled-down truth. It was accorded a very hearty reception. (Paper not received by secretary.)

"Lay Consecration Necessary," was discussed by Rev. U. B. Brubaker in a very practical, helpful manner. See No. 21.

Rev. W. H. Smelker presented a paper on "Utilizing the Men of the Church." It was a very practical paper. (Not received by secretary.)

"The Special Revival Meeting," was the theme of Rev. Ira D. Warner's paper. It was a lucid presentation of this great question. See No. 23.

Rev. W. T. Frank presented a "Program for the Country Church—How Work It." The program was a real one for an aggressive pastor. See No. 24.

"How Secure a Living Wage for the Country Pastor," was discussed by Rev. M. I. Comfort very intelligently. See No. 25.

Doctor Kurtz made some explanatory remarks as to the purpose of the Program Committee in arranging the balance of the program.

Rev. J. H. Dutton, president of the Conference Sunday-School Association, spoke on "Sunday-School Efficiency in the Conference," emphasizing the necessity of evangelism in the Sunday school, that the children be brought into the Church before they are in the toils of evil habits. (Not received by the secretary.)

"Christian Endeavor Objectives for Next Year," was the theme of Rev. A. R. Clippinger's address. Advanced steps are to be taken in this important branch of the work of the Church, during the coming year; if there is co-operation with the plans proposed, great good will result. (Not received by the secretary.)

Greetings were brought from the Miami Branch of the Woman's Missionary Association by Mrs. Calvin McNelly, of Clifton, Cincinnati, in a very felicitous address. See No. 28.

Lucas Irene, of the Philippine Islands, who is taking a course in Cincinnati University, was introduced to the Conference, and spoke very briefly.

"A Local in Every Church" was the subject of an address by Mrs. Ella Lowry, superintendent of organization in the Conference. Her address was well received; and her objective should, and could, be realized if hearty co-operation were given by pastors and people. See No. 29.

Rev. J. H. Dutton read a resolution expressing the appreciation of the Conference for these earnest addresses, and promising to "help those women." See No. 30.

Rev. J. H. Dutton was chosen to represent the Conference as fraternal delegate at the next Branch meeting.

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow," was sung, and the benediction was pronounced by Dr. W. J. Shuey.

FRIDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference convened at 1:30 p.m., Bishop Mathews in the chair.

The chorister led in singing "My Savior, I Love Thee," which was followed with prayer by Rev. J. A. Albright and Rev. Ruth E. Hemphill.

Rev. J. A. Pantle read a good paper on "The Ascension and Second Coming of Christ. (Not received by secretary.)

Statistical Secretary, E. E. Saul, explained the large wall chart, and the system of grading the charges according to an efficiency standard adopted by the Bishops.

Rev. O. O. Arnold read a supplemental report on applicants for admission to the Conference. The report was approved. See No. 31.

Rev. U. B. Brubaker read a supplemental report on Candidates for the Ministry. The report was accepted. See No. 32.

By general consent, Rev. J. L. Swain was asked to take the place of S. E. Rasey on the Conference Relations Committee, Brother Rasey having been called away.

The report of the Committee on Publishing Interests was approved on motion. See No. 33.

Rev. O. O. Arnold read the report on Home Missions. The report was adopted. See No. 34.

Rev. C. W. Snyder read the report on Church Erection, and it was accepted. See No. 35.

Dr. A. W. Drury, of the Iowa Conference, Bonebrake Seminary professor, and Professor M. A. Honline, also of the Seminary, were introduced to the Conference and accorded the usual courtesies.

Dr. Drury addressed the Conference a few minutes.

Dr. W. E. Schell spoke on "The United Work Program—Its Aims and Its Problems." The subject was so vast that he had to omit his usual original poem.

"How the United Work Program Unifies the Work of the Local Church," was discussed by L. O. Miller, with his usual conciseness and vigor.

Rev. W. I. Underwood sang as a solo, "I am Sure that He Loves Even Me."

Doctor Shuey spoke a few final words of farewell blessing as did the patriarchs when going away. The audience rose and stood while he was assisted from the Church by his friends who are so careful in their tender care of him.

L. O. Miller explained the monthly and quarterly reports that were distributed to all the pastors for next year's use.

Rev. G. F. Bauer read the report on Foreign Missions. It was approved. See No. 36.

Rev. S. S. Hough, Secretary of Foreign Missions, delivered a good message, showing the close relation existing between the local church and the people beyond the sea.

Bishop Howard was introduced to the Conference and invited to participate in the work and discussions as he might desire.

Dr. J. G. Huber read the report of the Committee on Seminary Extension, and it was adopted as read. See No. 37.

Dr. G. A. Funkhouser spoke of the value of intensive Bible study, saying that it is just as necessary to the preacher as is intensive farming to the farmer.

Rev. J. H. Dutton read the report of the Committee on Superintendent's Recommendations. After some discussion the report was referred back to the committee.

It was voted that the name of A. H. Cissna be referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The report of the Committee on First Year's Course of Reading was read and adopted as read. See No. 38.

Rev. E. E. Saul read the report of statistical committee, and it was accepted. See No. 39.

Adjourned on motion, with the benediction by Rev. C. W. Miller. who was excused from further attendance of the Conference sessions.

SATURDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Saturday's session opened with a service of song, conducted by the pastor of the church, Rev. W. I. Underwood.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Klinefelter.

"Come, Thou Almighty King," was sung.

The Gospel of Mark was discussed by Rev. F. H. Bohn, in a ten-minute paper outlining the teaching and doctrines of this book. Not received by secretary.)

The Conference recessed for a brief period while the Miami Conference Mutual Beneficial Association's annual session was held.

On the adjournment of the above-named organization, the Conference resumed its work.

Rev. C. B. Boda read a report from the Conference Board of Education. The report was approved. See No. 41.

A supplemental report on Conference Relations was made by the committee and adopted. See No. 42.

By vote of the Conference, the Greenville board of trustees, under whose supervision the Grandview United Brethren church has been placed for some years, was authorized to sell the same to the highest bidder, either at private or public sale at their discretion, the proceeds to be turned into the Miami Conference Church Extension fund.

The following persons were recommended to the General Board of Education for aid from the Beneficiary Fund: Francis Recob, D. L. Hess, Arthur Van Saun, M. W. Mumma, H. R. Applegate, A. W. Kaucher, and C. E. Burris.

The report of the Committee on Second Year's Course of Reading was read and approved. See No. 43.

It was voted that each address and paper delivered during the Conference shall be condensed by speaker or reader, and sent to the secretary to be inserted in the Minutes. They shall not contain more than 350 words.

The statistical reports of the charges and pastors were reviewed by the Bishop, and suggestions were made to the delegates and pastors where there were deficiencies, how these conditions might be improved in the future. The general concensus of opinion was that educating the people, an honest effort on the part of finance committees, and the quickening of the spiritual life of the people, will bring the desired results.

Rev. U. B. Brubaker read the report on Christian Stewardship. The report was approved. See No. 44.

High Street Church, Dayton, was unanimously chosen as the place where the next annual meeting shall be held.

The ballots were distributed by the Conference tellers, and the vote taken for the Conference officers for next year.

Adjourned with the benediction by Rev. W. E. Schell, D.D.

SATURDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference opened at 1: 30 p.m. by singing "Stepping in the Light." Rev. J. H. Mayne read a close analysis of the Gospel of John (Not received by secretary.)

Rev. J. J. Mullaney moved that the Conference send greetings to the Western Ohio Methodist Episcopal Conference, then in session at Springfield, Ohio. It was so ordered, and the message, signed by Bishop G. M. Mathews and the recording secretary, was sent.

The report of the Committee on Policy was read by Rev. A. R. Clippinger, and was approved by vote. (Not received by secretary.)

The Bishop appointed Rev. C. B. Boda to call the Conference Board of Education and Deaconess Board together and perfect an organization in each case.

The reports of the Auditing Committee were read and approved. See Nos. 46, 47.

Conference Treasurer L. O. Miller read his report. It was approved. See No. 48.

The report of the secretary-treasurer of the Evangelistic Committee on tabernacle was read by Rev. J. H. Dutton and approved by the Conference. See No. 49.

The report of the Laymen's Meeting was read, amended, and adopted. (Not received by secretary.)

Professor D. J. Winston, of Newport, and L. P. Stein, of Dayton, were, by vote of the Conference, added to the Committee on Program for next year; the Superintendent and secretaries being the committee heretofore.

The report of the Committee on Finance was read by Rev. J. H. Mayne. After discussion it was recommitted to the Committee for amendment.

Miss Ardis Cheney, delegate from High Street, Dayton, gave a reading, "How the Professor Proposed," in such a realistic way that her tired auditors were rested.

The quartet sang "Sand, sand," to the delight of the audience.

The resolutions on Temperance were read by Rev. E. P. Huddle. The report was approved. See No. 50.

The report on Resolutions, read by Rev. O. D. Wellbaum, was adopted. See No. 51.

The report of the Finance Committee was returned by the committee, and after discussion was adopted. See No. 52.

Dr. S. S. Hough gave a short, stirring exhortation, urging all the pastors to get his new book, which will soon be off the press.

Doctor Schell spoke appreciatingly of the treatment received by him while he was among us.

Report of the Committee on Superintendent's Recommendations was read and accepted. See No. 53.

Rev. J. E. Yingling moved that the Conference Board of Trustees be increased to seven members. It was also voted that the Conference Superintendent shall be a member of this board by virtue of his office. Rev. J. L. Swain was elected as the other member.

Herbert Myers, of Belmont, was recommended to the Board of Education, for beneficiary aid.

The report of the result of the election for Conference officers was read by the secretary, as reported by the tellers. See No. 54.

Rev. U. B. Brubaker read a resolution in reference to the High Street Church. It was adopted. See No. 55.

A resolution was adopted in reference to pastors' pensions. See No. 56.

Rev. J. H. Mayne read the report on memoirs. The report was accepted. See No. 57.

There being no further business, the Conference adjourned *sine die*, with the benediction by Rev. W. J. Pruner, D.D.

G. M. Mathews, Presiding Bishop.
W. M. VanSickle, Rec. Sec'y.
Elmer E. Saul, Stat. Sec'y.

NOTES.

Wednesday evening, Rev. C. W. Kurtz, D.D., Conference Superintendent, presided. After the introductory service, Rev. T. F. Bushong, one of the veterans of the Conference, preached a strong sermon on the "Christ of History."

The communion service was introduced by Bishop Mathews, who called Revs. W. C. Niswonger, M. I. Comfort, E. E. Saul, and W. M. VanSickle to assist in distributing the elements to the very large number of communicants that came to the altar and commemorated the atonement of Jesus Christ in this most impressive service.

The Thursday evening service was presided over by Rev. W. M. VanSickle. After the devotional service, Rev. W. R. Funk gave a stereopticon lecture on the great U. B. Publishing House, showing the process of development through the more than three-quarters of a century of existence. It is the peer of any denominational printing plant in the United States or the world, and its influence cannot be measured, except by the Infinite.

Either the operator of the machine was inexperienced, or the machine was not good; but despite this, Doctor Funk gave a great lecture.

Friday evening, Rev. W. C. Niswonger presided. After the devotional service, strong addresses were made by two "team men," one of whom, Miss Lyda B. Wiggim, who spoke upon "The Christianizing of America," is a woman—and unmarried—but able to present the theme in a very forceful manner.

"Our Unfinished Task in the Evangelization of the Non-Christian World," was graphically portrayed by Bishop A. T. Howard in a serio-comic address that gripped his audience.

Saturday evening was devoted to the subject of Temperance, Rev. E. E. Saul presiding. The address was delivered by Hon. James A. White, State superintendent of the Anti-Saloon League. This address was bristling with strong arguments, pertinent illustrations, and forceful logic.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Sunday was one of the most disagreeable, rainy days of the season, but a Sabbath school of nearly 300 gathered under the

direction of L. M. Troxell at 9:00 a.m. A fine orchestra of about a dozen pieces led the inspiring singing. The remodeled church gives greatly increased facilities for modern Sunday-school work by this united, growing church.

The forenoon service began at ten o'clock, Doctor Kurtz being in charge. The Bishop presented the credentials to six young men that had been admitted to the Conference as licentiates, and ordained Rev. E. S. Comrey as an elder, preceding the preaching service.

Bishop Mathews chose for his text, John 3:30: "He must increase, but I must decrease." John was humble, willing to exalt Christ. Ministers, as well as others, have to lay foundations and be content that others shall build upon the foundations they have laid. Others shall increase, but they must decrease. Some will not sing, others will not preach, if they cannot be first. John said, "I am only a voice." He, He, HE, Christ, must increase, but we must decrease. We must sink out of self into Christ. Men fall, but others take their places. The work goes on; this is God's plan. Service is immortal. Note how Christ has increased. Leave your old philosophies, your formalism, your absorption with things; this new relation with Christ is better than all *things*. The Galilean carpenter built a coffin in whch to bury agnosticism, formalism, pride, and hypocrisy. Men are coming back to Christ. You can find the tombs of men—the false prophets—but not of the Christ. He is a living, not a dead Christ. Christianity makes the individual, the community, the world, better. His kingdom must come; there can be no failure. We are not facing the sunset, but the sunrise. Christ is the center of every true moral, helpful movement. Christ cleans up wherever he goes. Let us have his passion. Preach him while you can. "He must increase." We must decrease that he may be glorified.

Following this uplifting, helpful sermon, the Bishop gave some practical, helpful advice to the pastors and people, which, if heeded, would be greatly beneficial.

The Sunday afternoon service was in charge of Rev. J. H. Mayne. Rev. J. W. Kilbourne delivered a memorial address,

which was followed by Bishop Mathews, who spoke on Mrs. D. Berger's noble life.

The Sunday evening service was in charge of Rev. J. W. Flory. Addresses were delivered on various phases of evangelism by Rev. J. G. Huber, Rev. G. F. Bauer, and Rev. G. A. Wahl.

LOCAL NOTES.

The pastor, Rev. W. I. Underwood, and Rev. W. C. Andreas directed the congregational singing with fervor, and aided very materially in leading the Conference up to a fine spiritual climax.

The church pianist was faithful and efficient, and the local choir rendered a number of good anthems as occasion required, to the delight of all their auditors.

The Elysian Quartet, composed of Revs. J. M. Replogle, O. F. Bilger, W. T. Frank, and D. R. Wilson, were on the job, and—as always—able to adapt themselves to the needs of the occasion. The people like to hear them sing because "they give the sense" of the words as well as the rhythm of the music. They sing as well as preach the gospel of Jesus Christ.

The pastor, committee on entertainment, and the ladies of the church, looked after the housing and feeding of the Conference in a thoroughly satisfactory manner. Pleasant memories abide in our thoughts of the sweet fellowship and cordiality manifested by the local church people, in their untiring efforts to make our stay a pleasant one.

The Conference was fine in the earnestness manifested by every committeeman, the promptness of all to take the work assigned, and the high spiritual tone of every address.

Miami is a great Conference in resources, equipment, opportunities, and possibilities. May God's blessing be upon every pastor and his people in the year to come.

REPORTS

REPORT NO. 1—COMMITTEES OF PRESENT SESSION.

Organization Committees.

On Devotion—W. I. Underwood, J. W. Kilbourne, G. T. Powell.

Candidates for Ministry—C. B. Boda, U. B. Brubaker, O. O. Arnold.

Conference Relations—W. C. Niswonger, G. A. Wahl, S. E. Rasey.

Elders' Orders—A. Dunkelberger, J. M. Replogle, J. J. Mullaney.

Nominations—E. S. Weimer, O. D. Wellbaum, R. M. Fox.

Boundaries and Finance—C. W. Kurtz, J. L. Swain, W. H. Klinefelter, J. H. Mayne, H. D. Conger, R. Henry, J. L. Wakefield, J. G. Huber.

Policy—A. R. Clippinger, J. L. Swain, J. G. Huber, L. O. Miller, C. W. Kurtz.

Standing Committees.

Home Missions—O. O. Arnold.
Foreign Missions—G. F. Bauer.
Church Erection—C. W. Snyder.
Education—N. Bevis.
Publishing Interests—E. S. Weimer.
The Christian Home—C. McNelly.
Temperance—E. P. Huddle.
Resolutions—O. D. Wellbaum.

Committees on Course of Study.

First Year—J. H. Mayne, E. E. Saul, C. McNelly.

Second Year—J. G. Huber, B. F. Farris, J. W. Flory.

Third Year—W. H. Klinefelter, J. E. Yingling, D. R. Wilson.

Fourth Year—W. C. Niswonger, C. W. Stephens, J. W. Kilbourne.

REPORT NO. 2—CONFERENCE SUPERINTENDENT.

To the Bishop, Ministers, and Lay Delegates of Miami Annual Conference, Greeting:

In the Providence of God we are again assembled in Annual Conference session. It is proper that we record our gratitude to our Heavenly Father for his love, mercy, and care over us, and that by his grace we have been permitted to labor in the up-build-

ing of his kingdom. Death has not entered our ranks once during the year, the first year in many that the death of any minister need not be recorded.

Our reports will also show that God has blessed our labors in the salvation of many souls and the increase of our numbers, and also aiding in sending the gospel abroad.

ORGANIZED CHURCHES.

The Conference consists of sixty-nine charges, thirty-six stations, twelve half stations, sixteen circuits, and five appointments where the pastor is giving part time. Sixty-four pastors have been regularly employed during the year, and there are 113 organized churches.

RESIGNATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

The work of the year has not been seriously interrupted on account of pastoral changes. F. H. Linville, who was appointed to Lockington, resigned immediately after Conference, and A. Kissel was appointed to supply the charge. He served until January 23, when he resigned, and after some delay E. Schlotterbeck was appointed March 1, and has served very acceptably.

B. F. Farris resigned Troy Street, Dayton, on February 1, and I appointed D. K. Freymeyer February 4, who has served the charge well and will submit his report. F. M. Hawley resigned Rosewood March 1, and I appointed B. F. Farris, who did not move on the charge but served the work well from his home at Springfield. C. E. Rettew resigned Kingsville April 4, and R. E. Applegate was appointed and has served very acceptably. V. Thompson resigned Aley Chapel May 5; I was unable to secure any one regularly to fill this appointment but a local committee has secured the services of different ones during this time. G. Deck resigned Wagner Chapel June 10, and M. Mumma was appointed and has rendered good service.

LICENSE TO PREACH.

The following received quarterly conference license to preach: H. C. Fletcher, of Springfield; U. S. Clark, of Willey Memorial; H. C. Clark, of Olivet. The following were recommended for Annual Conference license: C. Smith, of Salem; R. E. Applegate, of Union City; A. C. Kauker, of Union City; R. Love, of Lockington; H. L. Myers, of Belmont; F. F. Recob and D. L. Hess, of Springfield.

The following wish to unite with the Conference on their transfers: T. J. Halstead, D. K. Freymeyer, A. H. Cissna. E. S. Comrey wishes to be ordained.

H. L. Weishample was received into the Miamisburg class as a quarterly conference preacher and granted the same relations as

a local preacher. H. L. Myers, of Belmont, had his quarterly conference license renewed and also H. E. Smelker, of Salem.

DEDICATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

Only one church was dedicated this year. The Beardshear church, which was destroyed by storm July 13, was dedicated by Bishop G. M. Mathews February 17. The pastor, O. F. Bilger, worked hard and the brethren all did much in donated labor and on the day of dedication sufficient was secured in cash and pledges to cover the entire indebtedness. The building cost about five thousand dollars, and there is at present an indebtedness of nineteen hundred dollars.

Belmont is building an addition to the church consisting of Sunday-school rooms and basement costing about eighteen hundred dollars, of which thirteen hundred has been secured in subscriptions and three hundred has been paid. G. R. Strayer and his people have done good work in this field. The parsonage lot has also been purchased and is paid for.

Brookville congregation, E. E. Saul pastor, has paid the balance of the parsonage debt of $850, which clears this church and parsonage from all indebtedness. Cherry Grove, E. C. Cool pastor, paid $300 on church repairs and improvements. College Hill, now known as the Norris Memorial, collected $974 on subscriptions and paid the same on debt and interest.

Columbus Avenue, Springfield, paid $142 on church repairs, and the balance of $200 on the chapel, which clears this property, valued at $2,500, of debt.

Cheviot: E. S. Comrey, pastor, $140 on debt.

Clifton: C. McNelly, pastor, $402 on debt and church improvements.

Euclid Avenue, A. R. Clippinger pastor, paid $4,571 on church debt. Englewood is in a remodeling enterprise, consisting of basement, new roof, tower, and some Sunday-school rooms, costing about twenty-five hundred dollars, of which fifteen hundred has been secured in cash and pledges. W. H. Smelker and his people have worked well to bring about this improvement.

Ft. McKinley, C. E. Hetzler pastor, has paid $300 on debt and $100 on improvements.

High Street, U. B. Brubaker pastor, has collected $1,500 on interest and principal. The fiftieth anniversary was observed with a fine program and some over five hundred dollars given in offerings through the Sunday-school and friends.

Hamilton collected $350 on debt and interest, J. W. Kilbourn pastor. Harrison, W. VanSaun pastor, collected $45 on repairs. Hartford Street, W. C. Niswonger pastor, paid $492 on repairs.

Ithaca, M. I. Comfort pastor, $25 on parsonage repairs. Lewisburg, W. T. Frank pastor, paid $155 on improvements and debt.

Middletown, J. M. Replogle pastor, purchased the adjoining lot at a cost of $2,500, of which $200 has been paid and the balance of $2,300 pledged in good subscriptions. This addition gives our church a splendid property for all future developments.

Miami Chapel, O. O. Arnold pastor, $1,000 on debt and $109 on parsonage repairs. North Bend, W. C. Andreas pastor, paid interest and $726 on church debt leaving a balance of $2,400 on debt. Otterbein, A. Barnhardt pastor, paid on church and parsonage repairs $63. Olivet, R. E. Penick pastor, paid $50 on debt on church lots; this was paid by the C. E. Society, and $125 on repairs. Potsdam paid $100 on church improvements, W. H. Smelker pastor. Piqua, C. B. Boda pastor, paid $65 on repairs and $651 on church debt.

Philippsburg class, on Salem charge, is improving the church building, consisting of tower, furnace, and inside improvements costing about eighteen hundred, of which sixteen hundred is provided.

Arlington class has also improved and furnished the basement, costing about two hundred dollars, and $82 was paid on parsonage debt. W. I. Zimmerman, pastor.

Troy Street parsonage was damaged by fire and has been repaired at a cost of $455, which was covered by insurance, and paid $100 on church debt; D. K. Freymeyer, pastor.

Union City, C. W. Stephens pastor, paid $790 on church debt.

Greenbush class, on West Elkton charge, C. W. Snyder pastor, is remodeling the church, consisting of tower, basement, and furnace, and new foundation, costing about four hundred dollars. On parsonage improvements $25 was paid.

Wagner Chapel, M. Mumma pastor, paid $100 on repairs.

Willey Memorial, W. H. Klinefelter pastor, paid the balance of parsonage debt of $85; cleaned the church at cost of $42; new lights costing $123, and balance of library debt of $40, which clears this church of all debt.

Waterhouse is improving the church property in elevating the church, providing basement, building tower, and interior decorations costing about four hundred dollars; V. Mayne, pastor.

New Haven, O. D. Welbaum pastor, remodeled the parsonage, which was donated by J. L. Wakefield, at a cost of about thirteen hundred dollars and also church improvements amounting to about twelve hundred dollars. The home-coming and dedication of the parsonage took place July 18, with special services conducted by Bishop G. M. Mathews, and $900 was raised to meet the balance of the debt.

Newport, G. A. Wahl pastor, paid $137 on repairs.

Mt. Healthy sold the old parsonage and purchased the house and lot adjoining the church, paying the difference of $1,000 and on special effort secured $1,186 and paid $775.

Springfield, J. J. Mullaney pastor, on special anniversary secured $1,300 on new pledges, and about $1,600 has been paid on debt during the year. Aley Chapel paid out on church repairs, painting roof and inside decoration, $230.

Fairview, G. F. Bauer, pastor, collected $792 on debt and interest.

Liberty, $65 on parsonage and $265 on debt of Johnsville.

EVANGELISM.

According to our plans of last Conference, our evangelistic work has been carried on through the entire year. A. Dunkleberger, the Conference evangelist, has been at work almost the entire year and has been faithful in preaching the gospel of salvation and also has done splendid work in visiting from house to house and doing some community survey work. He held meetings at Oregonia, New Hope, State Road, Eldorado, Arcanum, Cherry Grove, New Haven, Greenbush, New Weston, Johnsville, and Millville. He will submit his report.

Six district meetings were held in the fall months at which almost all the pastors were present and a few of the laymen, and plans were made for a strong evangelistic campaign on each field of labor. Three district meetings were held in the spring months which also included some features of Sunday-school evangelism and a Young People's rally.

The Riley-Maxwell meetings were held in Dayton in which our churches generally co-operated and some of the pastors held special meetings following with some special help. Cowden Memorial secured the services of C. W. Brewbaker, also Hartford Street, Euclid Avenue the Edwards Sisters, East Dayton S. W. Keister, Germantown L. E. Allison, Piqua O. T. Deever.

C. V. Roop assisted pastors at the following points with very good results: Vandalia, Ginghamsburg, Potsdam, Englewood, Wagner Chapel, Aley Chapel, Kingsville, Fairview, Verona.

The Evangelistic Committee also purchased a portable tabernacle at a cost of $1,200, of which amount $854 has been secured in cash and subscriptions. This building was first erected at Johnsville, and is now located at New Madison. A report will be made of the cost and amount collected by our treasurer of the committee.

The number of conversions will aggregate nineteen hundred, and the accessions 1,845; and the cost of evangelistic help will amount to about $.....

FINANCES.

The finances have come up quite well during the year considering the fact that many men have been out of work or have worked on short time. More of the churches have used the budget system and

made the every-member canvass than ever before, and the local expenses have been well taken care of during the year. The pastors' salaries were increased $3,044 in the beginning of the year and, according to the reports, have been pretty well paid up to date during the year, and will, I think, all be paid up in full.

Not a large amout has been paid on indebtedness, but the interest has been paid regularly by all the churches carrying debt. On benevolence funds I think we will do better than last year and more charges will pay up in full. So far as reports indicate, about 41 will pay in full and 28 will report short. The pastors salaries have been mostly settled for next year and provision made for the other finances. About $..... was collected for evangelistic work and some funds have also been collected for the general interests, but I have no report on these items.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Our Sunday schools have all enjoyed a good year, with some increase in enrollment and good offerings and with a goodly number of additions to the church. The majority of the schools have contributed to the local budget, and also toward the benevolence budget. More than $2,500 has been given to benevolences through the regular offerings besides the Children's Day offerings.

Some good work has been done in teacher training in a few of the schools, and missionary programs have been given in some schools but in neither one of these lines are we doing what we should. There are about 59 Cradle Rolls and 36 Home Departments. Our own literature is being used in about all of the Sunday schools.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES.

There are about 72 Christian Endeavor societies in the Conference, most of which are doing good work. There are 31 Junior societies reported and a few Intermediate. Some mission study work has been done and many of the societies have contributed toward missions and benevolence funds. The district leader plan did not accomplish what was expected, but it was decided at the Branch convention to continue the plan and push the work. A splendid convention was held at Middletown with a fine representation of young people, and a good program.

LITERATURE.

The reports indicate that there is a slight decrease in the Telescope list. My figures show that there are 1,252 reported and last year we had 1,324. The Watchword has a good circulation in our Sunday schools and is one of the best of its kind printed. Both these papers should go into every home. They are the greatest educational agencies in the Church. The Woman's Evangel

has a fair circulation and is a splendid magazine, disseminating missionary information fresh from the field. The Bible Teacher and other Sunday-school helps are used in goodly numbers in all our schools. I repeat what I stated last year in my report, that the tracts, leaflets, and books of the various departments of the church be distributed in some systematic way to inform our people of the work and needs of our Church.

SPECIAL GATHERINGS.

The three Conference organizations—the Branch Christian Endeavor convention, the Conference Sunday-school association, and the Branch Woman's Missionary association—all had splendid meetings, with a good attendance and fine spirit, and showed the importance of these Conference organizations.

Six district meetings were held in the fall months and three in the spring. Quite a large number of church anniversaries were observed, notably among these was Mt. Healthy observing the eighty-second, Vandalia the seventy-fifth, and High Street the fiftieth. Also a large number of home-comings and circuit rallies. All of these gatherings were of great interest and profit.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That we continue the evangelistic plans of the past year, the appointment of a Conference evangelist, the arranging for district meetings including features of the Sunday-school increase campaign, the rallying of our Young People's societies, and that the Conference Superintendent, the president of the Sunday-school association, and the president of the Branch C. E. union, constitute a team to arrange for and attend all of these district meetings.

2. That the Conference budget be the same as last year and that the budget system and every-member canvass be pushed so that every member of our churches may contribute to every interest every week.

3. That we continue the Seminary Extension work under the direction of Dr. G. A. Funkhouser, and that assignments be made to all the pastors for definite study.

4. That the Conference Board of Trustees be urged to assist churches carrying debt and that in certain mission churches appropriations be made to the debt fund instead of to the pastor's salary, and on such a sliding scale as will eventually help to liquidate the debt.

5. That all those asking for preachers' aid be requested to give a written statement of their income from all sources.

6. That we co-operate heartily with the Woman's Missionary Association in their increase campaign, answering correspondence, assisting in organization, and giving them a larger field and mak-

ing them a greater factor in giving out missionary information and educating our people along missionary lines.

PERSONAL.

I have tried during the year to perform my duties to the best of my ability and as opportunity presented. My reports in the Telescope this last quarter show where I have been and also indicate the condition of most of the churches. I held sixty-six quarterly conference meetings the first quarter, preached fifty-four times, attended thirty-two Sunday services and conducted twenty-one communion services.

The second quarter I held thirty quarterly meetings, preached fifty times, attended twenty-five Sunday services, and conducted twelve communion services.

The third quarter, forty-two quarterly meetings, thirty-seven sermons, twenty-nine Sunday services, and fifteen communion services.

The fourth quarter, sixty-five quarterly meetings, thirty-one sermons, twenty-nine Sunday services, and fourteen communion services.

A total of 203 quarterly meetings, 115 Sunday services, 172 sermons, and 62 communion services.

I arranged for and attended the eight district meetings, a large number of committee meetings, of the Evangelistic Committee, Council of Administration and Board of Trustees, the Finance Commission, the Church Erection and Home Mission Board meeting at Canton, four meetings of the Executive Committee of the Rural Life Association at Columbus, a Rural Life meeting at Urbana, and two days at the Rural Life Week at the State University. The quarterly meetings have been generally well attended, in many places the congregation attended, and reports were submitted by about all the officers. The churches have never been better organized than at present, and we have never had a more efficient ministry. There are 45 pastors who have had all or part of the Seminary course, 22 that have had college course, and 18 that have had both college and seminary training.

I wish again to express my appreciation of the courtesy and kindness of the pastors and members of the churches, for the co-operation of all who have helped to bring about the success of this year and pray that our God will place his blessing on all our mutual labors and his benediction upon all of us.

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. KURTZ, Superintendent.

Report No. 3—Conference Evangelist.

To Miami Conference:

Brethren—With pleasure I bring to you this annual evangelistic report, the first of its kind to Miami Annual Conference. The work of the year was rather difficult and trying in many ways; frequently rain and storm prevented us from meeting, thereby hindering and hedging up the progress of the work; yet with it all, through the grace of God and through determination, I was permitted to be present at all of my appointments.

The results in the line of conversions were not what some were hoping for; still, I feel in my heart that the work of the past year has been a decided success and should inspire us as a Conference to continue the special evangelistic work, to bring about a deeper consecration in every home and life, to stimulate a deeper conviction, to preach more and more a plain, practical, convincing, and soul-saving gospel.

The true revival spirit and fire in many congregations is at a low ebb. Many professed Christians have compromised with sin, so much that they have lost their grip upon God and the unsaved. This is true, not alone in Miami Conference, or our denomination, but including other denominations. Many honest hearts are pleading for a general revival of religion. We need a revival in the Church, to revive, stimulate our convictions, to bring about a deeper consecration to a larger and more fruitful spiritual life. Then, under the leadership of God's spirit, with our own hearts yearning with a longing passion for the unsaved, we may see a mighty upheaval in the Church and the conversion of the unsaved.

It is true we are living in strenuous times; actual warfare and a world-wide conflict staring us in the face, earthquakes, storms, floods, great sea waves, destruction of all kinds, a time of amusements, picture shows, playhouses, games and sports, the open saloon, the gambling houses, and the bread problem (becoming a great, perplexing problem, especially in crowded cities)—all of these are detracting more or less from the spiritual life of the Church and making it exceedingly hard to win the unsaved.

In many homes there are no family altars, and indifference is robbing many families even of a true, pious life. We need a world-wide awakening to the saving of the multitudes unto God, through Jesus Christ, and also a revival that will bring about a parental care for children in the homes. Many parents have no control over their children pertaining to a Christian life.

My work during the year has largely been on circuits, frequently meeting with disadvantages, especially during the busy seasons of the year. The only help in most of the places was the pastor; he aided in song, personal work, and visitation. I had

no choice in selecting appointments, but went as ordered by the Evangelistic Committee.

The money proposition was not an easy one; some of the congregations were poor; others were under the impression that small offerings only were required, and when informed otherwise and told the requirements of the Evangelistic Committee, some said it was a money-making scheme and that we were nickel-grabbers.

Where there were no meetings, it took some time before we could secure good congregations, and frequently obstacles had to be removed and overcome, and yet with it all new life came to many hearts; others have taken higher ground, while others were saved by the grace of God, undergoing the marvelous change of the new birth as Jesus taught Nicodemus. Many pledged to live the larger life by faith in the Son of God.

The Church is not in need of sentimental evangelistic meetings or men who can say harsh and cutting things about the Church and berate its followers and for the time being create sentiment that, when the preacher leaves, goes with him; but men who are able, under the leadership of the Holy Ghost, to lead congregations into a higher life and a deeper consecration, men who can do more than simply relate pathetic stories, men who are teachers of God's Word, sound doctrine, and give a clear evidence of their conversion and then with a great heart full of passion and sympathy recommend the new life to others.

Some of our sister denominations, instead of caring for the rural churches, are continually strengthening their city churches, the center of power and influence, by special evangelistic meetings. Under the direction of the committee, I conducted meetings at the following places: Oregonia, New Hope, State Road, Eldorado, Arcanum, Cherry Grove, New Haven, Greenbush, New Weston, Johnsville, and last but not least, closed the work for the year at Millville, the starting point of a number of our noted divines.

We took a community survey of Millville and the community within a radius of about two miles. We found the following:

	Families	No. in Families	Church Members
U. B.	55	175	72
Presbyterian	32	98	66
Reformed	23	87	62
Catholic	16	64	
Families not connected with Millville churches; part belong elsewhere	23	88	
	149	512	200

I have tried to be true to God and man, and preached the very best I could the message of truth, encouraging believers and warning the unsaved. The following gives you an idea of the work for the year:

Sermons delivered, 317; funerals conducted, 11; prayer-meetings led, 68; marriages, 6; quarterly conferences conducted, 3; pastoral visits, 1,335; accessions, 125.

I am convinced as a pastor, that many of us fail in bringing about certain conditions and results because we fail in house-to-house visitation. Permit me at this time to thank the Evangelistic Committee for advice, kindness, and co-operation; also every pastor for his help and kindness; and the people among whom I have been permitted to work.

Respectfully,

A. DUNKELBERGER.

REPORT NO. 4A—EVANGELISTIC COMMITTEE.

Cash paid on evangelist's salary as reported by pastors:

Rev. Bowers	$ 15 00
Eldorado	56 00
State Road	100 00
Oregonia	6 10
Arcanum	100 00
Cherry Grove	75 00
New Haven	50 00
Greenbush	60 00
New Weston	37 10
Millville	8 22
New Hope	25 00
Johnsville	58 96
	$591 38
Needed	$1,200 00
Received	591 38
Deficit	$ 608 62

Report of Regular Funds Handled by Evangelistic Committee.

Receipts, L. O. Miller	$30 00
Disbursements	29 50
Balance on hand	$ 50

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. DUTTON.

REPORT NO. 4B—COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCE RELATIONS.

We, your Committee on Conference Relations, recommend:

1. That A. H. Cissna, C. T. Walker, Lloyd M. Martin, and D. K. Freymeyer be received on their transfers.

2. That T. J. Halstead be received on his credentials from the Methodist Protestant Church.

3. That the Conference secretary be instructed to communicate with Geo. Duckwall and Ambrose Grill, requesting them to report to the next Annual Conference. Should they fail to comply with this request, we recommend that they either be referred to their quarterly conferences or dropped from our roll.

4. That R. E. Penick, M. O. Stein, J. L. Armstrong, Norman Bevis, E. J. Haerr, Frank Johannes, G. F. Bauer, be admitted to the itinerant list.

5. That Miss Ella Hamilton be received into the Conference as a deaconess and sustain such a relation to the Conference as the senior Bishop may decide.

6. That M. F. Hawley be transferred to the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Respectfully submitted,
S. E. RASEY, Sec'y of Com.

REPORT NO. 5—CANDIDATES FOR ADMISSION.

The Committee on Candidates for the Ministry examined the following men. They were regularly recommended to the Annual Conference by their respective quarterly conferences, have passed satisfactorily the tests of this committee, and are recommended for membership in this Conference: C. Smith, of Salem, a graduate of Moody Training School of Chicago; H. R. Applegate, of Union City, a student in Bonebrake Seminary; A. N. Kaucher, of Union City, who intends to enter Bonebrake Seminary; R. Love, of Lockington, who is a student in Otterbein University; H. L. Myer, of Belmont, who is in Otterbein University; F. Recob and D. L. Hess, of Lagonda Avenue, Springfield, who are in Otterbein University. Signed,

C. B. BODA,
U. B. BRUBAKER,
O. O. ARNOLD.

REPORT NO. 6—EDUCATION.

Seeing, therefore, the possibilities of Christian education, we, as a Conference, resolve:

First, That we co-operate with the Board of Education in all of its plans and efforts to widen the influence of our institutions.

Second, That we urge all prospective students for college and seminaries to attend our own schools, because we believe that our denominational schools stand second to none, and United Brethren schools are for United Brethren people.

Third, That the pastors of the Conference observe Education Day by appropriate services in their congregations, in order that the interest of education may be rightfully presented in every congregation.

Seminary Extension.

Fourth, That we highly recommend the work of Doctor Funkhouser in the Seminary Extension work, and that we, as pastors, begin the coming year's special study with renewed efforts, and appropriate the benefits of the systematic study to the good of our own pastorates.

Fifth, Knowing the need of well-equipped workers everywhere, let young people be urged to prepare for Christian work as their life work and in their plans take, if it is at all possible, a course in Otterbein, and those preparing for the ministry, a course in Bonebrake Seminary.

Sixth, In harmony with the action of the Board of Trustees, we approve of the change of name from Otterbein University to Otterbein College, in view of the fact that Otterbein is not a university.

Seventh, Knowing of the stress through which Otterbein has been compelled to go owing to the financial difficulties, be it *Resolved,* That we aid the Board of Directors and President Clippinger in every way possible to increase the endowment, until the institution shall have a financial security that shall insure the benefits of a Christian education to all United Brethren young men and women for many generations to come.

Eighth, That we appreciate very highly the work of our educational leaders, and especially their efforts through the beneficiary fund, enabling many to obtain an education which would be impossible otherwise.

Respectfully submitted,

N. D. Bevis.

No. 7—Doctor Schell's Poem.

LET OTHER FELLOWS DO IT

The Christian college ought to live
And stronger grow each year;
It will, if many Christians give
Their gold and words of cheer.

Yet those who haste to do their part
Not everywhere are seen;
The men of brave and willing heart
Are still too far between.

And oh, so many make excuse!
You meet them every day;
Say what you will, it is no use,
They simply will not pay.

They 'll point you to the iron man,
And king of Standard Oil,
And freely tell you how to plan
To reach these men of spoil.

They 'll say that Brothers White and Brown
Are making money fast;
Let other fellows plank it down—
They 'll keep theirs to the last.

They have a queer philosophy,
But it has nothing to it;
It 's just a trick of sophistry—
Let other fellows do it.

But we have learned 't will not be done
When we ourselves stand back;
Then let us boldly, every one,
March right up to the rack.

We wait the day—oh, speed it, Lord!—
When men will cease to shirk,
And, looking to thy great reward,
Will "shell out" for thy work.

—*Wm. E. Schell.*

No. 8—W. C. Andreas' Paper.

(Not received.)

Report No. 9—Third Year's Reading Course.

Your committee respectfully reports that W. C. Andreas was examined on the required books and received the following grades: System of Christian Doctrine, 91; Psychology, 80; The Pastor-Preacher, 95; Reasonable Criticism, 90; Church History, 70; Studies in Amos and Philippians, 70. Mr. Andreas stated that he

had also read all the additional books that are required to be read. We therefore recommend that he pass.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. Klinefelter,
D. R. Wilson,
J. E. Yingling,
Committee.

Report No. 10—Elders' Orders.

We, your Committee on Elders' Orders, having examined Rev. Edwin S. Comrey, found that he has passed a three years' reading course, spent two years at Bonebrake Seminary, and graduated at Lane Seminary; we therefore recommend that he be ordained an elder of the Church.

A. Dunkelberger,
J. J. Mullaney,
J. M. Replogle.

Report No. 11—Candidates for Ministry (Supplemental).

We, your Committee on Candidates for the Ministry, earnestly urge our Conference Superintendent and the pastors that before young men are recommended for admission to our Annual Conference, the requirements of the Discipline with respect to educational qualifications and quarterly conference reading course, be fully met.

C. B. Boda,
U. B. Brubaker,
O. O. Arnold.

Report No. 12—Sabbath Observance.

Next to the family, the Sabbath is the oldest institution established by Jehovah. Both date from Paradise, both look toward the happiness of man. Both are rooted and grounded in the constitution of human nature. Both will flourish or decay together.

The Fourth Commandment as well as the rest of the decalogue was spoken by the all-wise Father; it was written by his own finger upon tables of stone; thus inscribed upon a symbol of durability, it was kept in the most sacred part of the temple. The Sabbath was also a "sign" between Jehovah and his people. From the Mount of Beatitudes, Christ explained this law of Sinai, and spiritualized its meaning. On the morning of the resurrection the Jewish Sabbath rose with the Savior from the grave to be observed as the Christian Sabbath—as the Lord's Day—in his church, to the end of time. Its ritual form was abolished, but its spiritual substance was kept and glorified.

The Sabbath reminds us of the Paradise of innocence. It is filled with the memories of Christ's triumph over sin and death. It is a foretaste and assurance of the eternal heavenly Sabbath. To the sincere Christian, the Sabbath becomes a beneficent rule to obedience; to the unconverted, a wholesome restraint; and to all men, a mirror of God's holiness and man's unworthiness.

"A day of sweet reflection,
A day of sacred love;
A day of resurrection
From earth to heaven above."

More than any other nation, we need the Sabbath. Our restless activity, our abundant wealth, our wasteful extravagance, and our very liberty, make the Sabbath a necessity for us. An eminent judge of the U. S. Supreme Court says: "Where there is no Christian Sabbath, there is no Christian morality and without this free government cannot long be maintained."

The price of proper Sabbath observance is eternal vigilance. Legislation it is true, will not make the day sacred to all, but it can prevent to a great extent the public desecration of the day. Though an immense work is before us, we have every encouragement to labor in this cause. On our side are the national ideals, the laws of the land, the customs of our fathers, our firmest convictions, and, best of all, the authority of God's Word.

If America ceases to observe the Sabbath, Mammon, Bacchus, and Venus will reign uncurbed and overwhelm us at last in ruin. But we confidently hope and believe that Sabbath observance will continue to promote public and private virtue, will discipline men for self-government, will make all Christian denominations one in service and spirit, and will be a "sign" between us and our God. If we reverence the Lord of the Sabbath, he will abundantly reward, will overrule calamities for our good, and make us an uplifting example before all people. "It is the day which the Lord hath made, we will rejoice and be glad in it."

W. Van Saun.

Report No. 13—Otterbein Brotherhood.

You may have been impressed, as I have been impressed, by the simple reference of Paul, in the sixteenth chapter of Romans, to Quartus, of whom the only comment is that he is a brother. This might, indeed, speak very little in favor of Quartus, if we infer from it that he had never done anything which would win for him a more distinctive title or recognition, but we may safely infer that he had been of great service to Paul and others as a brother, that Paul should list him with the others to whom he made special reference.

There is yet to-day, as in the first century of our Lord, an instinctive desire to be brothered—a principle of brotherhood as

eternal and as insistent as the love and influence of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, of which, indeed, it is man's correspondent. There is to-day, in spite of the many influences to the contrary, a tendency to communion and fellowship, drawing hearts together for the sake of spiritual strengthening, mental cultivation, social advancement, and material betterment; and whatever may be the opinion throughout Christendom concerning the means, we find men seeking these ends by banding themselves together in secret societies and fraternal bodies of almost every description. Have we, as members of the truest, most lasting, and most efficient fraternity, ever conceived and ever instituted, felt, the duty devolving upon us as such members to such a degree that we have been untiring and unceasing in our advocation of the merits of the cause?

We, as ministers and laymen, have been more or less gratified by the manifestation of this fraternal spirit, which must be present to a greater or less degree in any congregation which dares to call itself Christian. God pity such a church—if any there be—in which there is utter lack of harmony! But again, let me ask, have we been satisfied with this pleasant spiritual fellowship between man and man, or have we endeavored to "harness" this motive force? Have we tried to organize our fraternal body in such a way that we can most effectively glorify the Captain of our ranks, and most thoroughly magnify the results of the efforts of Him who said, "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me"? We should remember that great leaders are successful to the extent of their reasonable organization. Let us marshal our forces for God.

Respectfully submitted,
C. E. Hetzler.

No. 14—Letter from C. W. Brewbaker.

To the Brethren of Miami Conference, Greeting:

My Dear Brethren:—As you gather in your annual session to consider the report of your work for the past year and plan for the future, I wish to extend my heartiest good wishes, and assure you that, while I cannot be present in person, my thoughts and prayers are with you.

Let me ask that you give some time and careful thought to plans for the promotion of Sunday-school and Brotherhood work, which, I believe, lies at the foundation of the growth and development of our Church life. I feel confident that the coming Year Book will show a nice increase in the numerical strength of our Sunday-school army, and I am quite anxious that every Conference in our Church might aim to organize each local school along aggressive lines of work. What we need to-day is emphasis upon

proper classification, organization, and administration, and I believe that the Board of Control of every Conference has a function to perform in this field and that the Conference should provide in some way to cover any expenses that may be made in promoting this work. Enlargement, education, and evangelism should be the keynote of our work during the coming year. Pastors should aim to line up the laymen as never before and to train leaders in men's work and the Sunday school. Our department is at your service at any time.

Let me suggest that, aside from co-operating with your State and county Sunday-school associations, you plan for a series of group meetings or institutes for the purpose of considering methods, with a view to efficiency and the building up of schools in your Conference.

With best wishes, I am

Fraternally yours,
CHAS. W. BREWBAKER, General Secretary,
Sunday Schools and Brotherhoods.

No. 15—THE CHRISTIAN HOME.

No institution, however vital to righteousness, peace, or happiness, is absolutely secure from the danger of decline and annihilation. Many are the agents and forces arrayed to bring disintegration and demoralization to the home, the oldest, most sacred, most fruitful source of supreme happiness. The home is the conservation of every other institution designed for the welfare and uplift of humanity.

The home, to be Christian, must have Christ as a cherished elder brother. Julius Cæsar calmed the fears of an affrighted boatman, who was rowing him in a stream, by saying, "So long as Cæsar is with you in the same boat, no harm can happen." And whatever storm of adversity or bereavement or poverty may strike your home, all is well as long as Christ is the King on board.

Husband, wife, home—these three words have been called the alphabet of civilization; for with them humanity must spell out its destiny; and to the glorification of this noblest of all human institutions, the home, it is the duty of humanity to consecrate its highest genius and its noblest effort.

Artists should dedicate their supremest powers to adorn the walls that enclose the sacred family. The highest ambition of statesmen ought to be to enact such laws as give it the greatest freedom and security. There is no nobler mission of the soldier than to lay down his life for the home.

Millions of our fellows are deliberately and desperately engaged in an attempt to undermine and destroy civil government, private property, common schools, churches; but, above all, the home

stands in fearful jeopardy from the fierce attacks of the enemy; and the United Brethren Church again rallies its combined forces in defense and honor of this, the beginning and summit of all civilization. CALVIN MCNELLY.

REPORT NO. 16—OTTERBEIN HOME.

The Church has been slow in recognizing its duty to the dependents within its fold although the Scriptures are unmistakeably clear in prescribing this line of service. The Master taught, in one of the most forceful parables, the necessity as well as the reward of caring for "these little ones" which evidently does not refer so much to age or stature as dependence. The early church, in its period when communism prevailed, was seeking a method of caring for the dependent members of the household of faith. Paul, recognizing this same responsibility, was careful to take offerings for the "poor" at Jerusalem.

Through the men of vision, who saw in the Shaker property at Union Village, Ohio, the possibility of a great church home, an opportunity of unusual magnitude came to the United Brethren Church to enter into a service greatly neglected until in recent years.

The Otterbein Home, established on the Shaker property, is now a little over two years old and is assuming proportions that show that this useful plant is finding in our denomination fertile soil and a congenial climate. It is of interest to know that, at the end of the second fiscal year, the institution had net tangible assets amounting to $123,507, and in addition to this, what is considered reliable mortuary assets amounting to $144,000.

The institution is now operating a Children's Home and a Home for the Aged, each occupying its own building. For the comfort and accommodation of these Homes, it recently installed its own electric light plant with generating and storage capacity sufficient to admit of a large growth.

There are at present fifty-six children in the Home, and twenty-four adults in the Old People's Home. Fifteen of the children and five of the old people are from the bounds of Miami Conference, while ten States are represented by the members of the Otterbein family. Twelve hundred acres of the land owned by the Home are farmed under direct management, and the remainder is cultivated by tenants. The crops have been satisfactory and there are about nine hundred acres of corn planted this year. About a hundred acres of this are sweet corn, to be sold for canning purposes. Considerable progress has been made in stocking the farm; and the growth in the dairy interest is very satisfactory. A new creamery has just been opened with modern equipment and prepared to supply a high grade of butter.

This institution, with its healthy growth, its present ministry to the dependents of our Church, and its almost unlimited possibilities for larger service, comes by a right of the General Conference and appeals for a generous Christmas offering from all our churches to assist in the development of the Home and aid in its support. That the Home may the sooner be able to turn the entire income from the farm to the support of the worthy dependents of our Church, it needs many large gifts either direct, by the annuity plan, or by death note or bequest. Pastors and laymen can render a valuable service to this cause by putting the officials of the Home in communication with persons who might and should assist in any of the ways indicated above.

J. R. King.

Report No. 17—Resolution on Otterbein Home.

That we endorse the good work of the Otterbein Home, and that, in harmony with the action of the General Conference, our churches and Sunday schools take a liberal Christmas offering as a benefit to the Otterbein Home.

J. G. Huber.

Report No. 18—Resolution on Rural Life Survey.

Inasmuch as the Ohio Rural Life Association purposes to bring to pass interdenominational co-operation in work for country church and rural life, and particularly to assist rural pastors who need help in putting into operation the best known methods of church work and community service through the publication and distribution of Bulletins, personal visitation, and country life institutes; therefore be it

Resolved, That we heartily co-operate in the work of the Ohio Rural Life Association for the conservation and improvement of country life; that we recommend our churches to join in this work either by becoming members of the Ohio Rural Life Association and paying a membership fee or by making an offering during the year; that we heartily join in the recommendation of Committee of Interchurch Co-operation; that all Christian people co-operate in promoting the religious, moral, social, recreational, and intellectual welfare of the communities.

Respectfully submitted,

O. D. Wellbaum.

No. 19—Zimmerman Paper.
(Not received.)

No. 20—Cridland Paper.
(Not received.)

No. 21—U. B. Brubaker Paper.

Capturing the Community for Christ.

LAY CONSECRATION NECESSARY.

One of the essential factors in capturing a community for Christ is to secure the earnest co-operation of the men and women of the church; for no community will be touched unless the membership is willing to lay itself upon the altar of God, "a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God."

The mistake we make is that we begin the work by trying to interest the wrong party. By providing eloquent speakers, first-class music, we hope to persuade, through vigorous advertising, the needy ones to come to our services; but it is the other party, those who are already in the services, who need to become especially excited and interested over the advent of Jesus Christ in the community. The interest on the part of those outside will take care of itself, when once the church people are thoroughly awake to the situation.

There are two incidents recorded in the Gospel of Matthew that illustrate the thought I have in mind. The first is in 14: 34-36. If we read Mark 6: 55, 56, we see that he puts it more graphically. The second incident is in 15: 29-38.

Does it not seem strange that Jesus should go up into a mountain, practically inaccessible to the thousands of sick people whom he expected to heal? His purpose was to show the interest the people of Genessaret had in the needy ones. It certainly puts to shame our shallow and ofttimes superficial efforts to win the needy ones to Jesus Christ; for, when once the Lord Christ, the Healer of the soul's deepest ailment, begins to show his hand in the work of saving men and women, there are apparently no physical obstacles so great as to prevent the multitudes from being reached.

I imagine there were infants, too young to understand the situation; others were wholly skeptical, but came because their friends were so very urgent; still others, weak and emaciated, almost unconscious of what was being done for them. Then here and there were groups of men struggling with those who were possessed with demons, resisting the efforts of their friends. A great crowd gathered on that mountainside, not because the needy ones were so much interested in their recovery, but because their friends and neighbors were interested in them. And such was the intensity of the interest that they remained up there three days and nights, each waiting his turn to approach the marvelous Healer, witnessing the cures and hearing the shouts of joy as one after another was restored to health and strength.

We need to notice another thing. It was the men who came to this meeting and remained there three days and nights, strong, stalwart men, able to carry the needy ones all the way up the mountain to where Jesus sat. Possibly business men, neglecting their business; day laborers, taking their chances of losing their wages; and all for the sake of loved ones. Think of it! Four thousand strong, healthy men, besides women and children, made this meeting on the Galilean mountain a tremendous success. And let me tell you, four thousand men thus excited and interested would make any meeting to-day a tremendous success.

But our business men and professional men and laboring men ofttimes merely send their wives and children, help to pay the bills, and then wonder why the vast multitudes about them are not converted. God help the men of our churches to comprehend the fact that they themselves are responsible before God for the conditions that exist all about them; for, mark you, *careless* men will not be reached until *anxious* men will lay hold of them and bring them to Christ.

Suppose the men of Genessaret would have handed out cards and posters telling the needy ones about the healing power of this man, saying that he was able to heal anybody, no matter how badly afflicted, totally blind people, helpless cripples, deformed, withered men in the last stages of loathsome leprosy, confirmed consumptives, even dead people had been raised to life, and that he is now on the mountain; do you think those who needed him would have believed?

The men of Genessaret carried their own dear ones to Jesus; so must the laymen of our churches, if the community is to be won to Christ.

U. B. Brubaker.

No. 22—Smelker Paper.
(Not received.)

Report No. 23—Evangelism.

Out of the experience of five special revival campaigns in four years of ministry, the writer wishes to bear testimony to the fact that the sane, aggressive, determined, 365-day effort to win souls is the thing that will mostly compel the admiration and response of a community to the program of a church. It is not the spurious campaign, nor the spurt of evangelism, nor the whoop-'er-up affair that dies as soon as the noise is over; but the perennial effort of saving souls, which will do most to take the community for Christ. It would be an impeachment of divine wisdom to presume that our Lord should put his approbation upon the spurious program of saving souls that is carried on in many

churches, when we know that it is the everlasting and everyday purpose of our Lord to be doing this work. It is a travesty upon divine grace to hold what we call a two, three, or four weeks' meeting or evangelistic endeavor and tell folks that if they want to come to Christ they must come within the limits of this date or else run the chances of waiting until another year rolls around. We preach, "Now is the accepted time"; "To-day, if ye will hearden not your heart"; and it ought to be the business of the church to make every moment a "now" and every day a "to-day." Every peal of the bell, every tone of the organ, every note of the singer, every prayer of the intercessor, every sermon of God's messenger, ought to contain something of the interpretation of the words of Jesus "Whosoever will." This spirit, which was the actuating purpose of the ministry of Jesus Christ, is necessary to give its benign influence to all sound doctrine; is necessary to keep the Church keyed to her greatest purpose and highest mission. There is more to a religious service than preaching from an orthodox text, singing the regulation number of hymns, suffering an anthem, and pronouncing the benediction. The supreme mission of the Church is the saving of souls. The more a church comes into its soul-winning heritage, the larger the congregation, the better the fellowship, the sounder the orthodoxy, the greater the liberality, the quicker the salvation of the whole world.

IRA D. WARNER.

REPORT NO. 24—PROGRAM FOR THE COUNTRY CHURCH.

A bit of experience and a little vision, is all I will venture to give on this important subject.

Such books as "The Church at the Center," Wilson; "The Making of a Country Parish," Mills; "The Church a Community Force," Tippy; "The Church of the Open Country," Wilson, and others will be of great help in this study.

The country or village church can do and can have anything that any other church can do and have. They have the brain, brawn, money, and devotion to attempt and attain everything possible in equipment and pastoral service that any church in city or country can have. The first item of the program is a pastor with a sane vision of the needs; one who is earnest, consecrated, active, and studious. No popish, high-headed book-worm of a preacher can lead these people to victory.

The second item in the program is equipment. Nothing is too good for the country church. A modern auditorium with pipe-organ, Sunday-school department with separate rooms for every class, basement room with kitchen, reading and game room, gymnasium, athletic park, stereopticon outfit and oriental wardrobe,

a brass band, orchestra; these and other such equipment will make any church a community center.

Couple with a good leader and a good equipment, a burning, active, self-sacrificing effort for the saving of the souls of the people, and you have a three-horse team that will stir and win any community to Christ.

A community canvass is a vital necessity to success in any community.

Neglect is the chief barrier to progress.

Read and practice Romans 10: 14, 15, 17.

Only fifty or sixty per cent. of the country territory is influenced by the church, says Carney. What a field! What a duty!

"Oh, that dear old church in the wildwood!
There 's no lovelier spot in the dale;
There 's no spot so dear to my childhood
As that little old church in the vale.

"Let us rally to the church in the country,
'Mid the trees where the wild flowers bloom,
Where a parting hymn will some day be chanted
When we weep by the side of the tomb."

W. T. Frank.

Report No. 25—How Secure a Living Wage for the Country Minister?

Some seem to have the conception that the country church is the place for the inexperienced or worn-out minister; but I am here to say that the country demands the very best equipped ministers we have. "The best is none too good." The deacon's prayer expresses a common sentiment regarding the support of the country pastor: "O Lord, keep our pastor humble and poor; you keep him humble and we will keep him poor."

A living wage implies food, clothes, fuel, a sufficient number of books and magazines to keep his mind in a living condition, one week at a good Bible Conference, like Winona Lake, to keep his heart in tune, the education of his children, including a college course, the keeping up of a good insurance policy, and an auto or a Ford to enable him to minister to his people as often as necessary.

When a minister goes to his first charge, it should be the business of the Conference Superintendent to frankly present to the quarterly conference what is implied in a living wage for the pastor, and stay on the job until it is assured.

If this is done, the pastor may have right-of-way to initiate the best possible system of finance, which is the budget system and the every-member canvass.

Make an itemized account of the running expenses of the church, including the pastor's salary. In introducing this system, it is necessary for the pastor to go with the canvassers explaining in detail the proposed system, getting pledges on the weekly basis.

The minister must not be too modest in letting the people know that he not only believes, but practices, the law that "the tithe is the Lord's." If he is not fair and honest with his Lord, he cannot expect his flock to be.

After the canvass has been made and a sufficient amount pledged, it is up to the minister to make good and his living wage will be secured.

M. I. Comfort.

Report No. 28—W. M. A. Greetings.

Bishop Mathews, Pastors, Delegates to this Miami Annual Conference:

Hitherto I have always looked forward to our Annual Conference with the happiest anticipation of the good things it brings. I appreciate the high honor conferred upon me as I bring to you greetings from the Miami Branch Convention, held at the Antioch church, and I am really very happy to accept the honor because of my heart-felt interest in the cause we met to promote and because of the good the W. M. A. has done and expects to do. We heard with much pleasure the excellent address of your representative, Brother S. E. Rasey. We are glad to have you come with these helpful words of encouragement, and we feel indebted to all the ministers and laymen of our Conference for their hearty helpfulness. We want to work with you for the evangelization of the world, in a spirit of union and co-operation which makes for more effective service.

We are here to plan for the enlargement of Christ's kingdom. The greatest need of the world to-day is the living Christ in the hearts of men. When men and women go hand in hand to the accomplishing of this world-wide mission, then will the desires of our hearts approach fulfillment.

It has been said, "The secret of success is unfaltering courage to take up the threads again and yet again, and never to renounce until the life fabric is complete." Such has been the undaunted faith and courage of a long line of real heroes of the Cross. By this sacrifice and unselfish devotion they have helped to keep alive that Christianity which has made possible such men and women as we now have on our home and foreign fields, who have gone out to spread the more abundant life for which Christ came that we might have; and everywhere are men and women, to fame unknown, whose labors of love will be forever cherished in the hearts of men. May we not help them with our prayers and out of the

abundance of material blessings which the Lord has entrusted to us?

What joy to them and to us also, if the church at home were doing all within its power to supply their needs more fully! It is because of their zeal and untiring energy that our hearts are made glad when those voices—full of blessings and a great hope, and thrilling with the dawning of a new day—come from the awakening millions of far distant lands; we are glad for the little we have been able to do. But when we think of the millions still in darkness, bowed down in ignorance and superstition, we feel anew our responsibility.

Ministers and laymen, with our faces toward the light of a still brighter and more glorious day for Christ's kingdom on earth, may we labor on until "he shall have dominion from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth." We bring our greetings.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. ELIZABETH MCNELLY.

REPORT NO. 29.

Our aim as a Woman's Missionary Association is a society in every church, and every woman and girl a working, contributing member. This means that one hundred and forty-nine thousand women and girls are yet to be reached and won.

Only through the hearty co-operation of every minister can we accomplish this; and we believe you will co-operate when once you realize that our work is of vital importance, not only to the individual but to the Church, the community, and the whole world. Our Branch is divided into six districts, and to each district one woman is appointed as superintendent, whose duty it is to write to the women of her district, send literature explaining this part of our Church work, urge and, if possible, effect an organization. We appeal to you as ministers that you help us get in touch with the various churches by sending us the names of active, consecrated women to whom we may write. We have no other way of reaching many of our churches.

Then, too, we ask that you urge and encourage an organization. One word of encouragement from you to the women of your church will have more weight than many letters from us.

When we remember that out of the intercessory prayers of one woman has grown a society which to-day numbers twenty-six thousand women and girls, who last year alone contributed more

than $55,000 to missions, who will say it is not worth while? If this were the extent of our work, it would, perhaps, avail but little. Some one has so beautifully said, "Read, and you will know; know, and you will love; love, and you will serve." We, therefore, urge our women to read and know conditions at home and abroad. We especially commend to them the Woman's Evangel, the only woman's paper in our Church, and we believe that no one, however critical he or she may be, can read this little magazine and not become a believer and a doer in missionary work. When we read, we know conditions; thus we are able to give intelligently, and with our gifts will go our prayers. Then it is that God can take our gift, however small it may be, multiply and remultiply it until it becomes many, many times its original value. When once our women and girls have received a broader vision of God's plans to save a lost world, need you then have any doubt or fear as to their service at home? *No. They are among the dependable ones in the local church.* You will find them in the sick-room, the prayer service, the official board meetings, standing before Sunday-school classes teaching God's truth to the youth of our land. They are among the number who are helping to uphold the pastor's hand by their presence at the various church services, by their prayers, and by their dollars.

If by the illumination of twenty-six thousand of our women and girls, thousands of lives are being transformed, how much greater the illumination, how much farther would our light shine, how much sooner would come the millennium, if all of our hundred and seventy-five thousand women and girls were each contributing her part!

Ours is not a dead organization, only as we allow it to become such. Neither are we a side-issue, but one of the live wires of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Ella Lowry.

Report No. 30—W. M. A. Resolution.

Resolved, That we express to the Branch W. M. A. our high appreciation of these greetings and suggestions; that we recommend to each of our pastors the organization of a local W. M. A. at once; that we appoint a member of our body to carry our fraternal greetings to them at their next session.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. Dutton.

Report No. 33—Publishing Interests.

Every business that succeeds has its mechanical or constructive department, the business of which is to lay plans and bring them before its patrons, and to, if possible, extend its influence so as to win others to its cause. It may not be the province of the publishing department of an institution to lay plans by which that institution is to be managed, but it is the greatest of all agencies in bringing its plans or ideals before a thinking public, the source from which support and growth must always be drawn.

A Church without a strong publishing plant is like a country in time of war without adequate means to supply its army with the sinews of war.

A cause lives or dies in accordance with its ability to meet the needs of human requirements. A nation must supply its citizens with the ability to acquire the elements of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, if it would retain the loyalty of its constituency and be a worthy example for others to follow. But, as no nation, however good, can shut itself within itself and bid all others stand aloof, no matter what its principles, its ethics, and its virtues, but must engage in the world-wide work for world-wide betterment, just as Christianity's mission is world-wide evangelism; so must each denomination of the Christian world assume its share of the task and fill its place, if it would grow or continue to exist. The representative men of all ages have largely dictated the world's policies that have brought it both good and bad.

The ministry of a denomination represents its leadership. In its many-fold administrations its influence cannot be accurately estimated, so fundamental is its position and its administration. But people must read as well as listen. They must pursue an education aside from personal contact with teachers. Their spare moments must be considered as golden opportunities for self-culture; hence the ever-increasing demand for the printed page to meet the exigencies of the times. The products of the printing press reach the multitudes as no other agency can. It is to the world of thought, culture, and action, what the sun is to life—absolutely one of its most fundamental promulgators. Our Church is fully equipped, through its publishing house, with its increased facilities, which put it in the front rank of church publishing plants of America, to supply the denomination with literature of all kinds, giving the people of the United Brethren Church just reason to feel a deep sense of satisfaction because of its present status.

Our membership should be encouraged whenever practicable to patronize our printing establishment, thereby aiding it to meet its outstanding financial obligations and increase its ability to

more effectually aid in nourishing the departments of our denominational life for which it was created.

The new plant on Fifth Street is considered by competent judges an ideal structure for the business. The Publishing House had small beginnings eighty-one years ago, in Circleville, Ohio, but has had a steady and healthful growth, until to-day the entire property holdings in the city of Dayton, including equipment and supplies, is estimated at $1,200,000, with liabilities of about one-half this amount, of $600,000, leaving an equal amount of property value as an asset to the denomination at this time, which is adequate reason to be grateful to its managers and to God for its attainments during these four score years of toil and service. According to the program of the Conference, an illustrated address will be given which will show and describe the new plant far more accurately and comprehensively than a paper can describe; so I desist from further mention and leave it to others.

The various periodicals of the Church are giving universal satisfaction and are having a deserved increased circulation, which is adequate evidence of the editorial and publication efficiency of our publishing interests. These are facts for which every friend of United Brethrenism has great reason to be profoundly thankful.

E. S. Weimer.

Report No. 34—Home Missions.

Over fifty million people in our own United States live without the peace and joy of faith in Jesus Christ, live facing the awful wages of sin in this world, and in the world to come eternal death. In their darkness and dire need they call to the Christian forces of America for light and help.

The war in Europe brings to our minds anew the truth that national sin leads to national suffering and death. Millions suffer to-day in this awful war, not because of their own sins, but because of the sinful ideas that control the nations in which they live. They illustrate the sad truth that a sinful nation means finally a wretched, suffering people. There are in our country to-day sins and false ideals that threaten our national life. Our nation needs, in this time of crisis, to save us from these sins and dangers, a clearer vision of Christ and a firmer faith in him as teacher and leader and Savior. He alone can save us from national failure, suffering, and death.

With European Christendom engaged in this cruel, senseless war, that denies in deed the Christ they profess to serve, the burden of the world's evangelization rests as never before on America. In our hands is the destiny of this age and this civilization. We lead the world. May we lead in paths of peace and love and righteousness. May we lead to Jesus Christ. The world

cries out to America for help in this time of great trial and great opportunity.

With a vision of these great needs, dangers, and opportunities, we to-day pledge ourselves to sacrificial giving, organized and persistent effort, earnest, believing prayer, high and holy Christian living; that we shall not fail in doing our full share, that the kingdom of God may come into the lives of needy folks, may take possession of our country, and through our country conquer the world; that we may be truly a Christian nation, and that the kingdoms of this world shall be the kingdoms of our God.

Respectfully submitted,

O. O. Arnold,

Report No. 35—Church Erection.

The fittest and most popular word used now in measuring all kinds of activity, is efficiency. The efficiency of a life depends upon the activity of that life in the direction of its proper objective. The efficiency of the Church is commensurate with the combined efficiency of all her departments of activity, for these departments are interrelated and interdependent. The serious limitations of the Church Erection Society and of our Conference Extension work by the tieing up of these funds in over-due loans, are the mud on the wheels that hinders the progress of all our Church work.

Local churches are hindered because these loans are unavailable. As the human body, because of disease or undevelopment, is limited in its ability to express the purposes and impulses of the soul, likewise an inadequate church building fails to express the love and reach the benevolent purpose for which Christ instituted the church.

Therefore, to relieve these funds from embarrassment, and their debtors from the sin of knowing to do good and doing it not, to discover prospective donors, to enlighten them and induce them to give, be it

Resolved, That we continue, and if possible intensify, our emphasis upon the resolutions submitted by the committee last year. These resolutions are:

"1. That the attention of general officers, preachers, and laymen be called to the new manual of administration, to the end that (1) the local congregations may meet every condition possible, and (2) that the general society keep in mind especially Articles 10 to 12, referring to the granting of loans.

"2. That we have a debt-paying campaign preceded by or accompanied with an educational campaign in which programs be rendered on days convenient for the local churches. The society furnishes these programs free.

"3. That pastors co-operate with the society by sending in lists of prospective givers and by helping the society collect individual pledges now over-due, and further assist by circulating literature prepared by the general society.

C. W. SNYDER,
Committee.

REPORT NO. 36—FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Never, in the history of missions, has there been a more urgent call for heroic action on the part of the Christian church than today. Never before has there been such a test of faith. When Christian nations are spending millions of dollars a day in a bloody conflict that seems to mock the very halls of arbitration we are not surprised to hear men talking of the effects of war on religious faith and Christian missions. There are multitudes of mere pigmies of the faith who, like that discouraged throng in ancient Galilee, are finding it a "hard saying" and are turning their backs on the Prince of Peace.

But, while many are thus failing in heart, there come to us, as if spoken but yesterday, the tender and pathetic words of our Lord, "Would ye also go away?" And they come to us not so much with the implication of absolute deserters as a challenge to heroic effort. Will ye go away, not with your religious profession and its common practice, but will ye go away with the deeply consecrated life, its sympathy, its prayers, and the necessary money for which the present crisis calls?

We are glad to be informed that our missionaries and native workers in the foreign fields have nobly stood the test. They evidently realize that war is not a product of Christianity. If Sherman's definition that "war is hell" be true, it is rather the product of the "devil and his angels." Christianity is not failing in the world, but the world has thus far failed to universally apply the principles of Christian teaching. This unparalleled catastrophe should only the more strongly impress upon us the sublime truth that Jesus Christ is the only hope of the world. Doctor Hough, in his annual report, informs us that, although the "world's commerce and international relationship have been out of joint, the foreign missionary enterprise as a whole has not suffered disastrous retrenchment." He further states that "the support to foreign missions from Great Britain and Germany will be greatly reduced. America, free from this European cataclysm, must give more men and money for the millions in the non-Christian lands who will be left destitute."

Beyond the fact that we have encouraging reports from all our fields, it is hardly necessary to add anything here concerning the opportunities that are before us. That this is the golden age of

Christian missions is a statement so often made that it has become almost a platitude. Suffice it to say, that as every need opens wide the door of opportunity, just so does every great opportunity imply a tremendous responsibility. Will the churches of Miami Conference answer the call to do their best?

When the churches shall pray in the spirit of the Master as well as in his name, and when our people shall have reached that point where giving shall be to them not so much a sacrifice as a sacrament, a holy privilege to give back to him that which has always been his own, the cause of missions will take an onward sweep and the greatest problems will be solved.

Respectfully submitted,

G. F. Bauer.

Report No. 37—Seminary Extension.

Assignments for study and papers for the year are as follows:

Life of St. Paul: C. W. Loomis, C. E. Hetzler, J. L. Armstrong, N. D. Bevis, E. Schlotterbeck.

I. Thessalonians: W. C. Andreas, B. F. Farris, R. E. Penick, E. S. Weimer, G. R. Strayer.

II. Thessalonians: O. O. Arnold, A. Kissel, J. H. Mayne, C. W. Stephens.

Galatians: A. E. Bittner, J. W. Kilbourne, E. E. Saul, D. R. Wilson.

I. Corinthians: J. M. Replogle, W. T. Frank, W. H. Klinefelter, W. M. VanSickle, A. R. Clippinger.

II. Corinthians: G. F. Bauer, R. M. Fox, W. H. Smelker, I. Zimmerman.

Romans 1-8: J. H. Dutton, U. B. Brubaker.

Romans 9-16: Ira D. Warner, Calvin McNelly, J. J. Mullaney.

Ephesians: J. G. Huber, C. B. Boda, G. A. Wahl, Maude E. Hoyle.

Philippians: O. D. Wellbaum, W. I. Underwood, C. Plack, J. A. Pantle, A. C. Barnhart.

Colossians: W. C. Niswonger, F. H. Bohn, W. G. Powell, C. W. Snyder, E. S. Comrey, M. Mumma.

Philemon: D. K. Freymeyer, Harvey Clark, Ernest Haerr.

I. Timothy: C. W. Kurtz, M. I. Comfort, E. P. Huddle, L. M. Martin, H. R. Applegate.

Titus: G. Deck, L. M. Hahn, J. H. Sipe, W. Van Saun, O. F. Bilger.

II. Timothy: J. E. Yingling, A. Dunkelberger, F. Johannes, S. E. Rasey.

Ten of Paul's Chief Helpers and What Each One Did: E. C. Cool, Wm. Fox, Virgil Mayne, M. O. Stein, W. T. Walker.

Women Helpers of Paul: Miss Ella Hamilton.

Having Paul as the central theme this year, it is suggested and expected that every pastor, by special study, by expository sermons, and by use in the prayer services, acquaint his people with Paul's life first; then, by special attention to his particular assignment, teach that, and write his paper.

As overseers of the flock, shall we not educate every member to feed his spiritual nature day by day on the Word of God, that he may grow thereby and become strong?

We recommend that the carrying out of this Seminary Extension plan of study of God's Word by pastors be under the supervision of the Superintendent of the Conference during the year, and the directors of Seminary Extension.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. Huber,
A. Dunkelberger,
J. H. Dutton, Secretary,
Committee.

Report No. 38—First Year Reading Course.

1. Chas. E. Hetzler, Norman Bevis, R. E. Schlotterbeck, E. J. Haerr, J. L. Urich, Geo. Deck, and J. L. Armstrong are attending Bonebrake Seminary, and hence, in accordance with the ruling of the General Conference, are exempt from examination.

2. Chas. G. Fryman, G. R. Jacoby, and J. P. Hendrix are attending Otterbein College with the expectation of entering the Seminary upon completion of their college course; we recommend that they be continued.

3. C. E. Burris, Walter Van Saun and V. B. Mayne expect to enter the Seminary this fall; we recommend that they be continued.

4. C. W. Loomis states that he will be ready for examination in two months, and requests that same be deferred until the expiration of that period; we recommend that his request be granted.

5. We recommend that the cases of Geo. W. Duckwall and A. A. Grill be referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

6. We recommend that Frank Johannes be required to appear before this committee one year hence with evidence that he has either completed the first year's course of reading or spent one entire year in attendance at an approved theological seminary.

7. E. C. Cool appeared before the committee for examination in first year reading, and is entitled to the following grades: Homiletics, 86; Church History 90; Religious Pedagogy, 83; Theology, 75; grade on sermon on practical theme, 85.

J. H. Mayne,
E. E. Saul,
Calvin McNelly.

REPORT NO. 39—STATISTICAL COMMITTEE.

Number of charges reporting pastor's salary full, 64; number of charges reporting increase in salary, 17, with a total of $2,118; number of charges reporting a deficit in salary, 6; number of charges reporting benevolence budget full, 35; number of charges reporting a deficit in benevolence budget, 35, with a total deficit of $3,695; number of charges reporting an increase in membership, 46; number of charges reporting a decrease in membership, 22; number of charges reporting an increase in literature, 28; number of charges reporting a decrease in literature, 20.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. SAUL,
W. T. FRANK,
M. I. COMFORT.

NO. 40—BOHN'S ADDRESS.

(Not received.)

REPORT NO. 41—BOARD OF EDUCATION.

We would urge that our pastors give attention to education in its relation to the Church, in the following ways:

1. By looking after the educational interests of the Church and getting young people into college.

2. By urging their younger people to take a high-school course, as such courses are easily accessible in all parts of our Conference. The importance of this should be understood in its bearing on the future efficiency of the Church, as it will tend to produce better trained church workers, and with greater earning and giving capacity; those afterward called to the ministry will be able to meet the educational requirements of the discipline.

3. By keeping in touch with the public schools of their communities, to discover whether the prevailing influences of such schools are moral and religious or seriously lacking in these respects; and, when necessary, bringing to bear their influence and that of their church people to compel improvement in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. BODA,
W. H. KLINEFELTER,
E. L. SHUEY,
A. A. MAYSILLES.

REPORT NO. 42—CONFERENCE RELATIONS (Supplemental).

1. We recommend that J. P. Stewart be continued in the superannuated list.

2. That M. W. Mumma, of the Southeast Ohio Conference, be received subject to his transfer.

W. C. Niswonger,
J. L. Swain,
G. A. Wahl.

Report No. 43—Second Year Reading Course.

W. I. Underwood was examined in Homiletics and New Testament with grades of 80 and 85. We recommend that he be passed to third year's course of reading.

J. A. Albright and R. M. Fox, being in the Seminary, did not appear before the committee.

J. G. Huber,
B. F. Farris,
J. W. Flory,
Committee.

Report No. 44—Christian Stewardship.

There is a striking incident in Mark, the sixth chapter, which illustrates the attitude of the human mind through all ages. When Jesus and the disciples were confronted with the hungry multitudes, the first impulse of the disciples was to send them away. "Send them away," they said, "that they may buy themselves bread." The implication may be that the disciples had enough for themselves, and were not willing to share with the multitudes; or it may be that they resented the intrusion of the multitudes when they had planned to have a little time for themeslves to be with the Master. When the Master turned to them and said, "Give ye them to eat," he indicated that the resources at hand were sufficient to meet the needs of the multitude. And is it not a fact that the church has abundant resources to meet every demand that is made upon her to support adequately her home base, and to carry forward the work of world-wide evangelization in a masterly way? The great task is to properly relate these resources to the work of extending the kingdom of Jesus Christ. This can only be done by placing before the people of our churches God's whole program for the whole world, in such a way that they will lose sight of mere finances, but will be challenged to give their best in services, prayer, and means to carrying out this program.

To do this adequately we need to do more than preach the tithe, make every-member canvasses, provide for a full budget. We need to preach as never before "Christ for every life and all of life." When we have done this faithfully, when Jesus Christ is the incentive, the all-impelling power, the problem of finance will be solved.

1. We wish to commend most heartily the work of our Secretary of Christian Stewardship, Dr. J. S. Kendall, and pledge him our support in the work he is doing for the United Brethren Church.
2. We will plan to circulate "Our United Work Quarterly" among the official members of the Church, and discuss its plans with them.
3. Believing that a thorough every-member canvass will distribute the responsibility, as well as secure a greater interest in the work of the Church, we will see to it that this is done.

U. B. Brubaker.

Report No. 45—Committee on Policy.
(Not received.)

Report No. 46—Auditing Committee.

To the Bishop and Miami Annual Conference:

We, the Auditing Committee, beg leave to report that we have examined the books of the treasurer, Mr. L. O. Miller, and find the same to be correct.

The cash and drafts on hand had been counted and checked and the balances are correct.

We wish to commend Mr. Miller for his accuracy and neatness in which his books are kept, and for his courtesy to the committee.

Louis N. Sando,
Milo F. Oliver.

Report No. 47—Auditing Committee.

To the Bishop and Miami Annual Conference:

We, the Auditing Committee, beg leave to report that we have examined the books of the secretary of the Tabernacle Committee, Mr. J. H. Dutton, and find the same to be kept in a neat form giving a full account of all pledges, receipts, and expenditures. We wish to commend Mr. Dutton for the neatness of this record and for his courtesy to the committee.

Louis N. Sando,
Milo F. Oliver.

Report No. 48—Conference Treasurer.

For the Year Ending September 4, 1915.

Receipts.

Balance on hand last Conference		$ 5,498 34
Budget collections for the year	$18,126 98	
Evangelistic Fund collections for the year	529 56	

Otterbein Home, Christmas offerings.....	219 37	
General Church Treasurer Pension Bureau	499 75	
U. B. Pub. House, Bonds and Interest....	1,529 16	
Bible Cause	2 00	
Cheviot church loan	168 50	
Fairview church loan	250 00	
Fairview church, interest	66 00	
Olivet church loan	30 00	
Kirkup Lodge, Norwood property	4,500 00	
Kirkup Lodge, interest	135 00	
Borrowed money	1,200 00	
Total receipts during the year		27,256 32
Total in Treasury during the year		$ 32,754 66

1914 *Disbursements.*

Sept. 1—L. O. Miller, treasurer, salary...	$ 50 00
Sept. 1—W. M. VanSickle, sec'y, salary..	35 00
Sept. 1—E. E. Saul, secretary, salary.....	25 00
Sept. 1—F. H. Bohn, Norwood property..	29 00
Sept. 1—B. F. Farris, Conference ballots.	2 00
Sept. 1—F. H. Linville, minimum salary.	34 00
Sept. 1—General Church Treas., budget.	5,383 56
Sept. 4—U. B. Pub. House, printing	7 73
Sept. 4—Conference Quartet	25 00
Sept. 4—W. M. VanSickle, travel.....	1 20
Sept. 4—J. H. Mayne, travel	1 80
Sept 4—J. E. Yingling, travel	45
Sept 4—C. W. Kurtz, telephone	1 15
Sept. 10—North Side Bank, College Hill, borrowed money	3,000 00
Interest	90 00
Sept. 15—J. H. Dutton, Evan. Fund	10 00
Sept. 15—Fairview church loan	900 00
Oct. 3—Walter Van Saun, minimum sal..	100 00
Oct. 12—Wm. Raisch, borrowed money ..	1,200 00
Interest	67 50
Oct. 12—E. E. Saul, travel	2 00
Oct. 12—Otterbein University	300 00
Oct. 20—W. M. VanSickle, travel.....	1 50
Oct. 20—J. E. Yingling, travel	45
Nov. 10—General Church Treas., budget.	246 64
Nov. 30—General Church Treas., budget.	259 72
Mar. 4—W. M. VanSickle, travel	1 25
Mar. 4—W. H. Klinefelter, travel	2 00
Mar. 15—J. H. Dutton Evan. Fund	10 00

Mar. 15—U. B. P. H., Conf. Min. & Ptg..	283 43		
Mar. 31—General Church Treas., budget.	1,459 20		
Mar. 31—Same, for December	946 12		
Mar. 31—Same, for January	419 00		
Mar. 31—Same, for February	1,283 05		
Apr. 12—C. W. Kurtz, postage	2 50		
Apr. 20—J. H. Dutton, Evan. Fund	10 00		
Apr. 29—General Church Treas., budget.	603 42		
May 17—Otterbein University	500 00		
May 31—General Church Treas., budget.	455 40		
June 3—Wm. Raisch, interest	99 00		
June 3—General Church Treas., budget..	862 51		
July 9—C. W. Kurtz, postage	2 65		
July 20—C. W. Kurtz, postage	1 30		
Aug. 2—General Church Treas., budget..	848 02		
Aug. 13—U. B. Pub. House, printing	23 20		
Aug. 24—W. M. VanSickle, travel	1 50		
Aug. 24—W. M. VanSickle, postage	2 00		
Aug. 24—E. E. Saul, travel	1 00		
Aug. 24—E. E. Saul, postage	50		
Aug. 24—Quinius Multigraph Co., ptg....	1 50		
Aug. 27—Postage for the year	22 25		
Sept. 1—General Church Treas., interest.	123 00		
Sept. 2—Gibson & Wenger, supplies	1 45		
Sept. 2—J. H. Dutton, refund, Tab. Fund	12 50		
		$ 19,751	45

Conference Superintendent.

C. W. Kurtz, salary for the year	1,750	00

Evangelistic Salary.

A. Dunkelberger, salary for the year	1,200	00

Appropriations.

Cheviot	250 00	
Clifton	450 00	
College Hill	450 00	
Ft. McKinley	200 00	
Hamilton	450 00	
Newport	100 00	
North Bend	100 00	
Piqua	450 00	
Troy Street	250 00	
Fairview	200 00	
Kingsville	100 00	
Carrmonte	150 00	
Zion	50 00	
		3,200 00

Ministerial Relief.

H. A. Bovey	$ 150 00	
T. F. Bushong	300 00	
Mrs. F. M. Fowler	50 00	
M. R. Geyer	60 00	
C. W. Miller	150 00	
W. J. Pruner	200 00	
J. P. Stewart	250 00	
J. L. Swain	300 00	
Mrs. Ruth Hemphill	150 00	
Mrs. W. K. Albright	75 00	
		1,685 00
Total disbursements		$ 27,586 45
Balance on hand		5,168 21

COMPARATIVE STATEMENTS.

Ministerial Relief Fund.

Credit balance one year ago	$ 218 57	
Refund, Pension Bureau	499 75	
U. B. P. H. bonds and interest	1,529 16	
From 1914 budget	800 00	
		$ 3,047 48
Paid to beneficiaries during the year		1,685 00
Present credit balance		$ 1,362 48

To this will be added the present year's budget receipts, about $750.00.

Evangelistic Fund.

Paid salary of the evangelist	$ 1,200 00	
Paid to J. H. Dutton	30 00	
Paid to J. H. Dutton, refund Tabernacle.	12 50	
		$ 1,242 50

Receipts.

Arcanum	$ 100 00
Brookville	5 00
Cherry Grove	62 40
Eldorado	51 00
Millville	8 22
New Haven	18 00
New Hope	20 00
Rossburg	27 70
Springboro	6 10

West Elkton	152 18	
J. H. Dutton	73 96	
		524 56
Deficit		$ 717 94

Current Funds.

Due to general funds on distribution, about	$ 5,430 00
Due to Ministerial Relief on distribution, about	750 00
Total	$ 6,180 00
Cash on hand	5,168 21
Deficit	$ 1,011 79

Liabilities.

We owe borrowed money, Wm. Raisch	$ 3,300 00
General Church Treasurer	2,200 00
	$ 5,500 00

L. O. Miller, Treasurer.

Report No. 49—Evangelistic Committee, on Tabernacle.

Cost of Tabernacle and Seating	$ 1,140 00
Miscellaneous expenditures	88 66
Total obligations	$ 1,228 66
Total pledges to date	$ 856 16
Cash received on pledges	663 51
Unpaid pledges	$ 182 65
Expenditures:	
Paid on notes	$ 575 00
Travel, printing, lighting, etc.	88 66
Total expense	$ 663 66
Cash collected, all sources	663 51
Overdraft	$ 15
Total cost of tabernacle	$ 1,140 00
Paid on tabernacle	575 00
Needed	$ 665 00
Unpaid pledges	182 65
Net unprovided obligation	$ 483 35

J. H. Dutton, Treasurer.

Report No. 50—Temperance.

Since the last session of the Miami Conference, the Prohibition forces met with a partial defeat, but in the seeming victory of the liquor forces we believe that it will only bring to the front ranks the manhood of the State of Ohio, and in the battle this year we see as never before the great wave of public sentiment being harnessed, marshalled and picketted for a decisive battle; and we believe that this is the promised time of the Lord, that "I am with you alway." We recognize the subtleness of the enemy in this fight, and that they are already stooping to unfair methods in their campaign (for they cannot be any other way) to themselves, manhood, and the nation. So, realizing these things, and that it is our duty to God and fellowmen and for the best interest of our beloved Ohio, that we, the Miami Annual Conference, now in session, renew our pledge to use our every effort, influence, and pulpit to wipe from the face of Ohio the accursed traffic.

Resolved, 1. That Miami Conference of the United Brethren in Christ pledge ourselves to get in and to be in the battle, to win, and verify God's promises.

2. That we see that every one of our members be at the polls, to vote right.

3. That we urge our members to vote against all men that will not stand squarely for Prohibition.

4. That we give our support to the equal suffrage question, knowing thereby that it means no saloon, and higher principles.

5. That we heartily endorse the Anti-Saloon League, their principles, and methods.

6. That we have special instructions in our Sunday schools for the training of the on-coming generations.

7. That October 13 be a day of prayer in behalf of a dry Ohio.

8. That we congratulate the Ohio State Board of Agriculture for refusing the liquor forces a booth at the State Fair from which to distribute their wet literature.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. Huddle,

Committee.

Report No. 51—Resolutions.

Whereas, in the providence of Almighty God we have been permitted to convene in this one hundred and sixth session of Miami Annual Conference without death invading our ranks during the past year, therefore be it

Resolved, 1. That we express our gratitude to our Heavenly Father for his wonderful love, mercy, and care over us during the past year.

2. That we acknowledge our inefficiency and are determined by the grace of God, through the help of the Holy Spirit, to do his will in all our work.

3. That we appreciate the impartial and dignified manner in which our beloved Bishop G. M. Mathews conducted the business of the Conference and also for his inspiring and enthusiastic address in the opening of the Conference.

4. That we have enjoyed the presence and sweet fellowship of our beloved brethren, W. J. Shuey, T. F. Bushong, S. S. Huddle, Dr. H. A. Thompson, C. W. Miller, J. P. Stewart, D. Berger, H. A. Bovey, J. L. Swain, and W. J. Pruner, and we have been inspired and encouraged by their words of cheer and good will.

5. That we have been greatly helped by the excellent and instructive addresses given by our visiting brethren and friends, George Browne, Bishop A. T. Howard, Dr. S. S. Hough, Dr. G. A. Funkhouser, Dr. W. R. Funk, Dr. W. E. Schell, Dr. A. W. Drury, and Miss Lyda Wiggim.

6. That we congratulate and heartily thank Brother W. I. Underwood and the good people of Miamisburg church and all the people who assisted in so splendidly entertaining the Conference.

7. That we appreciate the reading given by Miss Ardis Chaney, and the excellent music rendered by the local church, Peter Quartel, Conference Quartet, and also the splendid manner in which Brothers W. I. Underwood and W. C. Andreas led the congregational singing.

Respectfully submitted,
O. D. Wellbaum.

Report No. 52—Boundary and Finance.

I. BOUNDARIES.

We recommend—

1. That the whole Conference constitute one district.
2. That Union Chapel be detached from Union Circuit.
3. That Pleasant Ridge and Jacksonburg constitute a charge, to be known as West Middletown charge.
4. That all other charges in the Conference remain the same as last year.

II. FINANCE.

1. That the budget be the same as last year, divided as follows:

General Interest	$14,100 00
Conference Extension	4,600 00
Otterbein University	1,300 00
Superintendent's Salary	1,750 00
Total	$21,750 00

2. We recommend the following appropriations for the relief of superannuated ministers and their widows:

Mrs. F. M. Fowler	$ 50	C. W. Miller	150
Mrs. Ruth E. Hemphill	150	T. F. Bushong	300
Mrs. W. K. Albright	75	J. L. Swain	300
H. A. Bovey	150	J. P. Stewart	250
M. R. Geyer	100	Mrs. Billheimer	25
W. J. Pruner	200		

3. We recommend the following missionary appropriations to charges within the bounds of the Conference for the coming year:

Carrmonte	$150	Newport	100
Cheviot	350	North Bend	150
Clifton	450	Piqua	450
College Hill	450	Troy Street	250
Fairview	250	Kingsville referred to Conference Board of Trustees.	
Fort McKinley	250		
Hamilton	450		

BUDGET APPORTIONMENTS.

Following are the budget apportionments agreed upon for 1915-1916:

Aley Chapel	$ 90	High Street	350
Arcanum	600	Hartford Street	450
Bowlusville	70	Home Avenue	335
Beavertown	185	Hamilton	155
Brookville	625	Harrison	100
Beardshear	85	Ithaca	525
Belmont	200	Kingsville	55
Carrmonte	45	Lewisburg	350
Cowden Memorial	530	Liberty	580
Norris Memorial	80	Lockington	310
Clifton	110	Miami Chapel	250
Cheviot	70	Miamisburg	150
Cherry Grove	275	Middletown	465
Colerain	200	Millville	80
Euclid Ave.	1,600	Mt. Healthy	150
East Dayton	480	New Hope	120
Eaton	225	New Haven	430
Eldorado	500	Newport	170
Englewood	60	New Madison	370
First Church	1,650	North Bend	225
Fairview	150	Otterbein	325
Ft. McKinley	60	Otterbein Home	100
Germantown	575	Olivet	200
Greenville	450	Oak Street	1,025

Pleasant Hill	145	Troy Street	160
Piqua	200	Union City	410
Potsdam	172	Utica & Oregonia	80
Pyrmont	70	Vandalia	375
Rosewood	340	Waterhouse	220
Rossburg	205	West Elkton	440
Salem	525	Wagner Chapel	110
Savona	320	Willey Memorial	150
Lagonda Ave.	400	West Middletown	150
Columbus Ave.	85	Union Chapel	100
Springboro	75	Yorkshire	30
Sulphur Grove	100		

We further recommend that the Conference carry the shortage on the Evangelistic Fund, but that all other Conference obligations on current expenses be met, and the remainder be apportioned to the general budget.

We recommend that the Conference Superintendent be authorized to take offerings for the Evangelistic Fund, to be applied on shortage and the work in the Conference.

We also recommend that item four in the Superintendent's Report, "That the Conference Board of Trustees be urged to assist churches carrying debt, and that in certain mission churches appropriations be made to the Debt Fund instead of to pastor's salary, and on such a sliding scale as will eventually help to liquidate the debt," be adopted, and add, "That this matter of determining how much shall go to pastor's salary and how much to the Debt Fund, be committed to the Conference Board of Trustees."

REPORT NO. 53—SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That we continue the evangelistic plans of the past year, the appointment of a Conference evangelist by Stationing Committee; the arranging for district meetings, including features of the Sunday-school increase campaign; the rallying of our Young People's societies, and that the Conference Superintendent, the president of the Sunday-school association, the president of the Branch C. E. union, and the president of the W. M. A., constitute a team to arrange for and attend all of these district meetings.

2. That the Conference budget be the same as last year and that the budget system and every-member canvass be pushed so that every member of our churches may contribute to every interest every week. (Referred to Boundary and Finance Committee.)

3. That we continue the Seminary Extension work under the direction of Dr. G. A. Funkhouser, and that assignments be made to all the pastors for definite study.

4. That the Conference Board of Trustees be urged to assist churches carrying debt and that in certain mission churches appro-

priations be made to the debt fund instead of to the pastor's salary, and on such a sliding scale as will eventually help to liquidate the debt. (Referred to Boundary and Finance Committee.)

5. That all those asking for preachers' aid be requested to give a written statement of their income from all sources. This requirement does not apply to those persons who have been retired on pension by act of Conference.

6. That we co-operate heartily with the Woman's Missionary Association in their increase campaign, answering correspondence, assisting in organization, and giving them a larger field and making them a greater factor in giving out missionary information and educating our people along missionary lines.

REPORT NO. 54—TELLERS FOR ELECTION OF CONFERENCE OFFICERS.

Recording Secretary—W. M. VanSickle.
Statistical Secretary—E. E. Saul.
Conference Treasurer—L. O. Miller.
Trustee of Otterbein University—H. C. Cridland.
Ministerial Educational Committee—J. P. Landis, A. R. Clippinger, J. G. Huber.
Conference Board of Trustees—J. W. Kilbourne.
Deaconess Board of Trustees—G. T. Powell.
Sunday-School Board of Control—H. C. Cridland, O. O. Arnold, Ira Warner, J. H. Dutton, M. I. Comfort.
Conference Board of Education—E. L. Shuey, C. B. Boda.

REPORT NO. 55—HIGH STREET RESOLUTIONS.

That the Conference Board of Trustees be asked to co-operate with the trustees of High Street Church, Dayton, in the disposition of the old church property.

Respectfully submitted,
U. B. BRUBAKER.

REPORT NO. 56—PASTORS' PENSION.

Resolved, That we renew the action taken by the Conference one year ago with reference to superannuated preachers, to wit, that all superannuated itinerants who have served in this Conference continuously in the active itinerancy for forty consecutive years, shall receive three hundred dollars per year, and those having served thirty consecutive years shall receive two hundred and fifty dollars and those having served twenty years shall receive two hundred dollars; and that this action shall be permanent unless rescinded or changed by special action of the Conference.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. KLINEFELTER.

Report No. 57—Memoirs.

While death has not entered the ranks of the ministry of our Conference during the past year, we record with deep sorrow the sudden departure of the esteemed and beloved wife of our dear brother, Dr. Daniel Berger. She was a Christian woman of rare qualities of mind and heart, a gracious woman and a helpmeet indeed. This committee, on behalf of Miami Annual Conference, offers to our dear friend and brother our sincerest sympathy and condolence, and prays that God may comfort and bless him in his great bereavement.

Brother Joseph Sater, of New Haven, a prominent layman and a friend and earnest supporter of the Church, died during the year. Mention of his virtues and services to church and state will be made at the Memorial Service to be held according to the program at two o'clock Sunday afternoon.

J. H. Mayne.

Report No. 58—Memoir of Mrs. Daniel Berger.

The death of Mrs. Daniel Berger, on the night of February 10, came with a shocking suddenness. Her health had been impaired for some time, and vitality seemed quite exhausted. The contraction of pneumonia, which attack was suspected three days before, snapped the brittle thread of life, and the spirit of a noble woman, ransomed from all earthly bonds, passed on to the Savior whom she has served so well and so long.

Dr. Daniel Berger has had a most prominent place in the United Brethren Church for many years. He was editor of the Religious Telescope from 1864 to 1869, and afterwards for twenty-six years was editor of our Sunday-school literature, being really the creator of our Sunday-school publications. For more than sixty-one years they had lived in happy domestic life and were one in spirit and in purpose.

Mrs. Berger was a remarkable woman. Her association with a noble husband but gave free exercise for those unusual qualities of mind and soul which were hers by natural endowment. Many Telescope readers will turn again to the autobiography she wrote a year and a half ago, and will gain from it new inspiration for service and a new resolution for continued devotion to a loving Heavenly Father who found such a large place in her life in such an unusual way. Most of our readers know that Mrs. Berger was born and reared in the Catholic faith, and intended to assume the veil in that Church; that her only brother was a prominent Catholic clergyman; that she was a child of ample fortune all of which was given up because of her espousal of the Protestant faith, and yet, that she never entertained the slightest feeling of resent-

ment toward any former associates, and numbered some of her best friends and closest companions among members of the Catholic Church. This is evidence of a great soul, and proof of a life which rises higher than the ordinary range of activity and thought and feeling.

This brief notice would not be complete without a few touches as to her life history. Setting sail from Liverpool, December 29, 1848, in company with an uncle and his bride, for a four months' trip to America, a most violent storm was encountered, when all sails and rigging of the ship were destroyed. Finally, the captain told crew and passengers that the only reliance was on God. The storm abated, but the subsequent suffering exceeded the fear which it had caused. The ship drifted helplessly, and was on the seas for over fifteen weeks. Thirty-two of the passengers and crew died of starvation, some dropping at the pump which they had to work day and night to keep from sinking. Landing at New Orleans, even greater distress awaited those aboard. The yellow fever was raging, and the uncle and aunt became its victims. Mrs. Berger, then Mary Frances Merry, was left alone, herself battling back to health from an attack of the same disease. Her removal to Cincinnati, her conversion there, her first connection with the United Brethren Church, and her marriage to Mr. Berger, read more like fiction than a real life story.

Mrs. Berger's associations with others were far beyond the ordinary range. Herself a temperance crusader, she worked with such distinguished persons as Frances E. Willard, Ellen J. Foster, and George W. Bain. She was one of the best known attendants at the Chautauqua sessions in New York, and her intimate acquaintance there extended to the greatest platform speakers of the world. Her career always will be regarded as an adornment to the Church of which she was a member and the personal acquaintance with her will be treasured as a rich memory.

With her husband, Mrs. Berger was interested greatly in the Montgomery County Horticultural Society. No small matter kept them away from any monthly meeting in the past fifty years.

The approaching death of Mrs. Berger was announced at the revival service in the Dayton Tabernacle. That great audience of five thousand rose as one person to the words of a Methodist pastor, and stood with bowed heads while a Presbyterian pastor led in a tender prayer for God's sustaining grace to be extended in a special way to the stricken husband.

The stroke falls most heavily upon the bereft husband. The funeral services were held on Saturday afternoon, February 13, Doctor Berger's eighty-third birthday falling on the following Sunday. While the shadows lay athwart his pathway on this day usually given to pleasant thoughts, he is comforted as only

those are who put their trust implicitly in the Most High. Dr. J. G. Huber, pastor of Doctor and Mrs. Berger, had charge of the funeral service, held at First Church, Dayton. Bishop G. M. Mathews and Dr. C. I. B. Brane, fellow members of the same local church, spoke briefly. Dr. W. R. Funk and the editor of the Telescope also participated.

Interment was made in beautiful Woodland Cemetery.

REPORT NO. 59—STATIONING COMMITTEE.

Conference Superintendent—C. W. Kurtz.
Aley—William Fuchs.
Arcanum—D. R. Wilson.
Bowlusville—E. J. Haerr.
Beavertown—J. A. Albright.
Brookville—E. E. Saul.
Beardshear—O. F. Bilger.
Belmont—G. R. Strayer.
Carrmonte—O. F. Bilger.
Cowden Memorial—J. H. Dutton.
Clifton—W. C. Andreas.
Cheviot—E. S. Comrey.
Cherry Grove—L. M. Hohn.
Colrain—J. H. Mayne.
Euclid Avenue—A. R. Clippinger.
East Dayton—G. T. Powell.
Eaton—J. E. Yingling.
Eldorado—E. S. Weimer.
Englewood—W. H. Smelker.
First Church—J. G. Huber.
Fairview—G. F. Bauer.
Ft. McKinley—C. E. Hetzler.
Germantown—O. D. Wellbaum.
Greenville—W. M. VanSickle.
High Street—U. B. Brubaker.
Hartford Street—W. C. Niswonger.
Home Avenue—Allan Dunkelberger.
Hamilton—A. E. Bittner.
Harrison—Walter VanSaun.
Ithica—M. I. Comfort.
Kingsville—H. E. Applegate.
Lewisburg—W. T. Frank.
Liberty—J. A. Pantle.
Lockington—E. Schlotterbeck.
Miami Chapel—O. O. Arnold.
Miamisburg—W. I. Underwood.
Middletown—J. M. Replogle.

Millville—N. D. Bevis
Mt. Healthy—R. M. Fox.
New Hope—Virgil Mayne.
New Haven—C. W. Snyder.
Norris Memorial—L. M. Martin.
Newport—G. A. Wahl.
New Madison—S. E. Rasey.
North Bend—C. T. Walker.
Otterbein—Calvin McNelly.
Otterbein Home—J. R. King.
Olivet—R. E. Penick.
Oak Street—Ira D. Warner.
Pleasant Hill—Virgil Mayne.
Piqua—C. B. Boda.
Potsdam—W. H. Smelker.
Pyrmont—J. A. Armstrong.
Rossburg—C. E. Plack.
Rosewood—M. O. Stein.
Salem—I. Zimmerman.
Savona—A. C. Barnhardt.
Springfield—
Lagonda Avenue—J. J. Mullaney.
Columbus Avenue—Maude E. Hoyle.
Springboro—C. W. Loomis.
Sulphur Grove—W. G. Schaeffer.
Troy Street—D. K. Freymeyer.
Union City—C. W. Stephens.
Union Chapel—N. D. Bevis.
Utica and Oregonia—C. W. Loomis.
Vandalia—F. H. Bohn.
Waterhouse—A. Kissel.
West Elkton—Harvey Clark.
Wagner—M. W. Mumma.
Willey Memorial—W. H. Klinefelter.
Yorkshire—J. A. Armstrong.

Conference Evangelist—J. W. Kilbourne.
Bishop Central District—G. M. Mathews.
Bishop Northwest District—H. H. Fout.
Bishop Southwest District—C. J. Kephart.
President Bonebrake Seminary—J. P. Landis.
Chaplain National Military Home—D. E. Myers, Marion, Ind.
Professor Brookville, Ohio, High School—C. F. Meyer.
Field Secretary Otterbein Home—H. A. Sechrist.
Missionary to China—Walter Sinks.

Evangelist—Ruth E. Hemphill.
Evangelistic Commission—C. W. Kurtz, J. H. Dutton W. I. Underwood, G. F. Griffis, Ira D. Warner.
Council of Administration—J. G. Huber A. R. Clippinger, L. O. Miller, J. L. Swain.

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THE EXPENSES of the students are very reasonable—low—considering the high-grade facilities afforded.

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